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RUSSIANS RETIRING ALONG ENTIRE FRONT

Vienna Statement Asserts Russians Falling Back in Galicia and in Poland

TAKE UP NEW POSITIONS

Threatened on Both Sides, Russ Decided to Take Up New Positions to Meet Onslaughts

FIGHTING IN FLANDERS MORE SEVERE

London, Dec. 17.—(9:40 p. m.)—"The Russians are retiring along the entire front in Galicia and Poland." This statement ,officially issued at Vienna is the outstanding feature of tonight's news from the battle fronts.

While there is no confirmation from other sources such a move on the part of the Russians would be quite in line with the announcements in despatches from Petrograd that the Russians, threatened on both flanks, had decided to take up new positions where they would be able better to meet the onslaughts which are being launched against them by the Austro-Germans from the Carpathians to the East Prussian frontier.

Should the Austro-German armies as on previous occasions follow the Russians into Poland another big battle soon will be in progress which may decide whether the Germans are to get to Warsaw or whether the Russians are again to threaten an invasion of Germany.

The delay of the Russians in fulfilling expectations that they would prove a serious menace to German territory is a disappointment to the peoples of the allied countries but military men express the view that it is better for Russia to meet her foes in her own territory where the means of communications would be more on an equality.

Allies Still on Offensive.

The German and French official communications do not disclose much of what is going on in the west but it is apparent that the allies are still on the offensive from the coast to LaBassee and at various other points along the front. While not very marked advances are reported the French claim to have made some progress and to have organized the ground which they gained during the preceding days. The Germans on the other hand, assert that the attacks by the allies have been repulsed.

From the number of wounded reaching the hospitals of both the Germans and the allies it is evident that the fighting in Flanders today was of a more severe character than shown in the official statements.

Correspondents report that the hospitals are again filling up while along the Dutch border continuous firing can be heard. The long expected proclamation bringing an end to Turkish Suzerainty over Egypt and the establishment of a British protectorate over that country was officially issued tonight. The last straw doubtless was the action of the Khedive who was the sultan's representative in Egypt but with little or no power, in taking sides with Turkey against Great Britain. Lieut. Col. Sir Arthur Henry McMahon, who has been appointed high commissioner, although a soldier by profession has had long and varied experience as a political officer in India.

Coments on German Victory.

Berlin, via Amsterdam and London, Dec. 18.—(12:15 a. m.)—The Lokal Anzeiger, commenting on the news of a German victory in Poland says:

"Never since this old earth has had a history has such a gigantic battle been fought. Seldom in centuries has there been an event of such decisive importance. The battle of Poland will be classed in history among the victories of the first rank. It will be mentioned in the same breath with the battle of Salamis and Leipsic.

"We have to thank Von Hindenburg and the desperate courage of his troops who fought under the glorious banners of Germany and Austria."

The Tageblatt after eulogizing the bravery and tenacity of the troops, particularly the West Prussians and Hessians, adds:

"This victory, with the defeat of the Russians is particularly significant because the Russians threw all their force into the scale in order to win a victory. From the most distant portions of the empire, Siberia and the Caucasus, the last reinforcements were brought up. Politically the victory will have widespread importance especially with the Balkan states. If one or the other of these states counted on the assistance of Russia it will now recognize its vain hope."

Germans Celebrate Victory.

Berlin, via London, Dec. 17.—(11:10 p. m.)—The people of Berlin were aroused to enthusiasm today by the announcement of a great Austro-German victory over the Russians in Poland. An official bulletin to this effect was issued shortly afternoon. Within half an hour extra editions of the papers appeared and the whole city literally flashed into bunting.

American visitors who a few days ago commented upon the non-display of flages, scarcely recognized the streets, which everywhere were gay with the German black, white and red and the Austrian orange and black, at many places intertwined.

At the Reichstag, where a red cross meeting was in session word was received from the palace that the greatest victory of the war had been won. The schools will close tomorrow so that the children may assemble to celebrate the event.

The first intimation of the nature and extent of the Russian defeat was received here last evening and circulated in official quarters but nothing was known of it generally, until the official bulletin was published.

It had been understood that the Russians were in a precarious position but it was not hinted that a decisive result was at hand. The official bulletin issued yesterday reported that the operations were proceeding normally, which phrase is the usual termination of the official report. It is known now that thousands of Russians have been taken prisoners.

CAREER OF AUTOMOBILE BANDIT IS CLOSED

FRANK G. KOHL KILLED IN PISTOL DUEL WITH CINCINNATI POLICE

Bandit Robs Two Banks of Over $13,000, Steals and Wrecks Automobile, Fatally Wounds an Officer and Receives Four Bullet Wounds During Fight Which Cause His Death.

Cincinnati, Dec. 17.—The life of Frank G. Hohl, notorious automobile bandit ended here today following a three hours career of crime which included the robbing of two Cincinnati banks, theft of an automobile and a pistol duel with policemen that resluted in almost certain fatal wounds to one officer and the death of the bandit.

Thirteen thousand and one hundred dollars are missing as the result of the bank robberies and the police are confident that Hohl, in his wild automobile drives, managed to pass this money along to some confederate.

The beginning of Hohls end started shortly after 10 a. m., when he entered the West End Branch of the Provident Savings Bank and Trust company, Eighth and Freeman avenues, fired two shots at Cashier Edward Hughes, scooped up $,000 in currency, backed through the door, jumped into a waiting automobile which had been stolen and disappeared. Cashier Hughes fired after the robber but his shots did not take effect. While the police were searching for the bandit more than one hour later, he entered the Liberty Banking and Savings company bank at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks away, fired two shots at Cashier George Winters, grabbed what proved to be $5,100 in currency, ran to his automobile and again disappeared. The shots were so close to Winters that he was powder burned but other than suffering from the shock, he was uninjured.

Rents West Side Apartment.

Almost two hours later, Harry Buckshorn, whose mother conducts an apartment house on West Ninth street informed the police of the similarity of a man who rented a room there yesterday with a description given of the bandit.

Three policemen called at the room and upon knocking, the door was suddenly thrown open and the bandit opened fire, at the same time brushing past the officers, one of whom Policeman Edward Knoul was probably fatally wounded.

He again ran to his automobile which was standing at a nearby corner. In rounding a corner the machine crashed into a telegraph pole and was wrecked. The bandit jumped out and opened fire on the two officers who had pursued him. In the battle that followed Hohl fell with four bullet wounds in his body and died shortly afterwards at the hospital. He was identified by Cashier Hughes of the Provident Bank as the man who had robbed his bank and later a comparison of a picture of Hohl to the dead man was made and proved with other signs of identification of the police that the dead man was Hohl.

Well Known to the Police.

Hohl was well known to the police and was a fugitive from justice. The police claim that he shot up an Altoona, Pa., bank on March 3rd, was arrested and while being conveyed to the Pittsburgh jail, threw a cup of coffee in his guard's face and again escaped. He was again captured but subsequently escaped from the Hollidaysburg, Pa., jail.

The police also claim he was wanted in connection with a diamond robbery in Kansas City, Mo., a year ago, where he had assumed the name of Howe.

The police say that Hohl usually had a woman confederate. A search is being made for her.

COTTON DEFEATS SCHAEFER.

Danville, Ills., Dec. 17.—Marcus Cotton defeated Jake Schaefer, Jr., 300 to 247 in a billiard players' league match here tonight.

War News Summarized

Berlin is celebrating the news from Poland of what is termed "one of the greatest victories in history," Berlin headquarters announces that the Russians have been clearly beaten and that the Russian offensive against Silesia and Posen has been broken. A general retreat of the Russians in Poland, with the Germans in pursuit is claiimed.

In contradiction to this the latest official bulletin issued at Petrograd declares that the Russian cavalry and vanguard troops "are chasing energetically the beaten Germans" in the direction of Mlawa.

Both sides lay claim to the capture of prisoners, the Germans to a very large number of them.

Direct from Warsaw comes word that a great battle is in progress thirty miles to the westward; that the German wedge has established itself in a strategic position, and that desperate fighting is in progress with reinforcements pouring into both Germans and Russians.

In Belgium and France the allies are carrying on their offensive operations, begun a few days ago, slowly and steady.

Progress is noted in the French official statement and it is believed that the infantry on the two sides of the western front have come to grips at many places, the number of wounded indicating the desperate nature of the struggle.

Further details from the English coast towns bombarded by the German squadron disclose an increasing number of victims of the German shells. At the two Hartlepools alone the number of dead is now officially announced as 82, with 250 wounded.

At Scarborough 17 were killed and it is though that the full casualty list has not yet been made out. One British light cruiser and a torpedo boat destroyer which engaged the Germans lost five men killed and a number wounded.

That the German ships were hit several times by the English coast batteries is announced officially at Berlin, but it is asserted that the damage sustained was slight.

Austria follows up the German announcement of a victory in Poland by the statement that the Russians are retiring along the whole front in both Galicia and Poland and it is possible that this may mean the withdrawal of the investing forces of Russia from Przemysl. Egypt has been proclaimed a British protectorate.

The German field marshal Von der Goltz, according to late despatches, has been appointed military governor of Constantinople and acting minister of war. A German admiral is said to have taken over the minister of marine.

The former imperial German chancellor Prince VonBuelow, now ambassador to Italy, referring to the German bombardment of the English coast towns says:

"This is simply the prelude of what the German fleet is soon to undertake which will astonish the world."

MEXICAN CONDITIONS HAVE UNDERGONE NO CHANGE

Secretary Garrison Confers With President Regarding Situation at Naco.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Garrison conferred with President Wilson tonight, giving him the latest reports from Brig. Gen. Bliss on the situation at Naco, Ariz., where the Mexican generals have not moved their forces so as to avoid firing into American territory.

The reports showed that the conditions had undergone no apparent change, although there was little firing in evidence. While the United States government is determined if necessary to open fire on the two Mexican forces to compel them to stop shooting into the state of Arizona, it was learned tonight that no decisive action was planned pending the efforts of Brig. Gen. Hugh Scott, chief of staff of the United States who is enroute to Naco, to influence the two factions to adjust the situation.

The general belief in official quarters tonight was that some satisfactory understanding would be reached which would make unnecessary any hostility between the six batteries of artillery, three regiments of infantry and 11 troops of cavalry which have been stationed there by the Washington government to take defensive steps against the Mexican factions. The agents here of the Gutierrez government, to which General Maytorena is loyal, claim that he is preparing to move his force down the railroad south of Naco, so that he can continue to besiege the Carranza force under General Hill with the American border out of the range of the fire.

General Iturbide's friends in Mexico are fearful for his safety and Secretary Bryan today directed Consul Silliman in the Mexican capital to make urgent representations in his behalf.

LION HUNT STAGED ON NEW YORK STREETS

FIVE LIONS ESCAPE FROM THEATRE WHEN HOUSE IS CROWDED

Animals Are Attacked by Scores of Policemen and Are Finally Subdued.—One Lion is Killed in a Tenement House After it Has Severely Injured Two Policemen.

New York, Dec. 17.—A lion-hunt was staged in the streets of New York this afternoon. Five lions which escaped from the stage of the Eighty Sixth Street Theatre at a time when the house was filled with a matinee audience, were attacked by scores of policemen with revolvers and finally subdued.

Only one of the lions escaped to the street. It was killed in a tenement house after it had attacked two policemen and severely injured both of them. The other four lions were cornered in the theatre building and driven back to their cages.

A police sergeant and a policeman were shot, the former seriously, by bullets intended for the lions.

Two other men it was reported, also were shot. Dozens of women fainted and more than a hundred were knocked down in the wild stampede to reach the doors when the lions walked off the stage. Two hospitals sent ambulances to the theatre. The scene of the lion hunt, East Eighty Sixth street near Lexington avenue, was the center of a throng that numbered tens of thousands before the chase finally ended.

Five of the animals still were roaming about the theatre when the last of the spectators escaped. In their rush to safety, spectators left behind all kinds of wearing apparel and personal belongings. Meantime the beasts roamed over the house from gallery to basement. An hour after the last spectator left, they were rounded up in the lobby and driven into their shipping box, none of them being injured.

Three arrests were made on charges of criminal negligence. Those in custody are LaBelle Andree, the lion's trainer; C. A. Turnquist, their keeper and George H. Hamilton, manager of the attraction. The lions were owned by Francis Ferari, a showman, who had been exhibiting them at carnivals during the sumer.

The animal act had been completed and a song and dance quartete held the stage in front of the first drop when the lions escaped as they were about to be transferred from the steel exhibition cage to their shipping box.

A throng had gathered outside the theatre when Alice, one of the animals, emerged and trotted slowly across the street. Reaching the corner of Eighty Sixth street and Third avenue she calmly sat down.

A crowd began to shout and ten policemen with revolvers drawn came rushing across the street from the theatre toward her. She turned and fled into an apartment house.

Abraham Glaser, a photographer was working on the first floor of the building when he heard a peculiar noise in the hall. He opened the dorr to investigate and stared into the face of the lioness, slamming the door quickly he shouted for help.

The beast turned to a stairway and bounded up a flight. There two women peered from a doorway, saw the animal, shrieked and slammed the door. Again Alice fled, this time to the third floor. When the police arrived she was at the top of a stairway seeking egress to the roof.

For more than ten minutes thereafter there waged in the narrow hallway a fierce battle between man and beast. Shot after shot—thirty in all—were fired into the now raging animal. Up and down the stairway she paced growling and snarling, clawing, striking and biting at her assailants. Several times she leaped over the bannister that protected the stairway and hurled through the air only to land with a thud on the next landing.

The end came with one of her spectacular leaps. Bounding over a balustrade she passed between the legs of Alfred Winter, a policeman, who stood with one foot on the railing and another against a wall firing at her. The force of the fall and the leaden hail that rained into her body ended her battle. It was while the firing was at its height that Glenn was shot through the back and the bullet was said to have entered his stomach. It was thought tonight that he would die.

MADE MORE DIFFICULT.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Difficulty in exchanging ratifications of the international convention for safety at sea is expected in official circles as a result of the action of the senate yesterday in adding to its resolution of ratification a clause reserving the right of the United States to impose higher standards than prescribed by the treaty for health and safety aboard American ships.

JAMES M. MORRIS APPOINTED.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 17.—James M. Morris, former member of the state legislature, and secretary-treasurer of the Illinois Federation of Labor, was today appointed by Governor Dunne, secretary of the state mining board, succeeding Martin Bolt, resigned.

BEGIN NEW EFFORT TO SAVE LIFE OF LEO FRANK

Attorneys File Petition For His Release On Habeas Corpus Writ on Ground That He Was Not Convicted With Due Process of Law.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 17.—A new effort to save the life of Leo M. Frank, sentenced to be hanged on January 22nd for the murder of Mary Phagan was begun in Federal District Court here today. Attorneys for Frank filed a petition for his release on a habeas corpus writ, on the ground that he was convicted without due process of law and is being detained illegally. If the petition is denied, the attorneys said, appeal will be taken direct to the United States supreme court.

The petition alleges that the prisoner's constitutional rights were violated by return of a verdict during his absence from the court room; that the jury was influenced by popular demonstrations; and that the trial court therefore lost jurisdiction in the case before a conviction was reached. Federal Judge Newman announced he would hear argument on the petition Saturday.

A previous effort to bring the cases before the federal supreme court failed when both the state courts and the supreme court refused to grant a writ of error for a review.

That action was also based on allegations that Frank's constitutional rights had been violated but it did not involve a habeas corpus proceeding.

Today's petition sets forth that Frank knew nothing of the agreement of his attorneys to waive his presence when the verdict was returned and that his attorneys could not legally act for him when such a right was involved.

BRITISH VESSELS NOW MAY BE CONSIDERED MERCHANTMEN

May be Permitted to Load Fuel and Supplies in Canal Zone—Have Been Supplying British Cruisers.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Two British steamships which have been supplying British cruisers in the Caribbean Sea with coal and provisions have reported to Colonel Goethals at Panama that they have ended their service as naval auxiliaries and desire to be considered as merchantmen. As such they will be permitted to load fuel and supplies in the canal zone for a voyage to a British port.

Secretary Garrison today called upon Colonel Goethals for evidence as to whether the masters of these vessels are acting on the good faith. It was said at the department that upon receipt of this evidence clearance as merchantmen in all probability would be granted the ships, as neither had been charged with violation of neutrality.

Even though the ships had passed through the canal with supplies for belligerent cruisers, their cargoes were not taken on at an American port and under the Hay-Pauncefote treaty vessels of commerce and of war of all nations in time of peace and of war are entitled to use the canal on an equal base. Officials here today viewed the flurry occasioned by Colonel Goethals' request for naval vessels to protect the neutrality of the canal as a closed incident. The colonel in a supplemental report said that except for the improper sending of a wireless message by a British collier he knew of no violations. The British ambassador called at the state department to give assurances that there had been no intentional violations of neutrality by British vessels and that the British government was anxious to observe scrupulously the rules prescribed by the United States.

The Cruiser Tacoma, ordered to the canal zone in response to Colonel Goethals' request left Guantanamo, Cuba, today for Colon. Secretary Daniels announced that orders would meet the cruiser to aid the canal zone authorities in any way needed to observe neutrality and that if necessary other ships would be sent to the canal for this duty.

NOT FATHERED BY ADMINISTRATION

Washington, Dec. 17.—Aussurances have been given the British government by the state department that the bill introduced by Senator Hitchcock to prohibit entirely the export of munitions of war and arms and war supplies to belligerent countries was not fathered by the administration.

The Weather

WASHINGTON, Dec 17—Illinois: Cloudy and warmer, probably local snows; Saturday partly cloudy.

Temperatures.

The current, maximum and minimum temperatures recorded Friday:

Jacksonville	16	16	-10
Boston	24	32	18
Buffalo	16	18	10
New York	16	28	16
New Orleans	44	44	34
Chicago	13	13	-1
Detroit	10	14	4
Omaha	18	18	0
St. Paul	14	16	-8
Helena	12	16	-2
San Francisco	48	48	10
Winnipeg	12	12	4

STORIES OF FIREMEN AND HOSTLERS BEGIN

ENGINEERS CONCLUDE TESTIMONY BEFORE ARBITRATION HEARING

Witnesses Declare Railroads do Not Permit Employes to Take Part in Politics to the Extent of Running for or Accepting Public Office.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—The brawny, clear-eyed engineers, out of their overalls and very spruce and business-like in the garments of their leisure hours who have been testifying for a week before the railroad wage board of arbitration passed from the scene today and the humbler stories of the firemen and hostlers began.

Politics, in which it was intimated that the railroads curtail the civic right of the men, figures sporadically in the proceedings.

Warren S. Stone, representing the engineers as counsel, read into the record the case of J. G. Conklin, a railroad employe of Tucson, Ariz. Conklin's friends wanted him to run for sheriff, Stone said but he was compelled to withdraw when he received a letter from a superior stating that if he desired the office he must resign from the road.

He spoke of another case where a Southern Pacific engineer had been a member of a school board for fifteen years, but was compelled to resign by his employer.

"That" said Sone, "was in the days when the Southern Pacific carried the sate of California around in its pocket. When the state wriggled out the railroad concluded they didn't want any of their men in the game either."

Another case was that of R. F. Cole, who aspired to the Nevada legislature, Stone said, but was informed by the Southern Pacific management that it was against the rules.

H. O. Martin, a fireman of Clovis, N. M., and employed by the Santa Fe, testified that similar pressure prevented one Nicholas, a conductor on the Pecos division of the road from seeking re-election to the Texas legislature.

John Hanley of Chicago was the last of the engineer witnesses. He testified as to conditions on suburban runs. He is actually in the cab of his engine ten hours, he said, but by reason of rush hours he is on duty sixteen hours and earns $141 a month. He leaves his bed at 3:40 o'clock in the morning every week-day, he said, and gets home around seven o'clock at night.

Frank Holloway of Downer's Grove, Ills., 21 miles from Chicago, where he is employed as a hosteler by the Burlington, P. J. McClory, Chicago, a hosteler employed by the Chicago Junction and Chicago River and Indiana railroad and Martin, the fireman from Clovis, Texas, were the first of the new line of witnesses. They were examined by William S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen.

SHOWS GREAT INCREASE IN EXPORTS OF FOODSTUFFS

Exports From U. S. Increase 300 Per Cent Because of European War.

Washington, Dec. 17.—A three hundred per cent increase in exports of foodstuffs from the United States due principally to the European war characterized the foreign trade of November compared with that month a year ago. Breadstuffs valued at $40,232,832, an increase of $30,12 ,000 were sent abroad, the department of commerce announced today. Meat and cattle exports increased $2,364,000. Corn, oats, flour, wheat and beef canned and fresh, all show enormous increases.

The total value of domestic breadstuffs, cotton seed oil, food animals, meat and dairy products, cotton and mineral oils exported in November was $97,191,986 against $138,402,537 in November, 1913 and for the eleven months ending with November $797,190,906 against $930,531,838 for the eleven months of 1913.

Statistics showing the value of articles manufactured and partially manufactured and raw materials exported during November will not be available for several days.

The heavy demand for foodstuffs by the European warring nations is shown in the increase of the exports of corn from $333,903 in November, 1913, to $1,759,109 this year; oats from $8,150 to $3,900,174; wheat from $3,479,259 to $22,819,570; flour from $5,741,576 to $7,827,775; canned beef from $23,761 to $1,353,388; fresh beef from $60,753 to $1,434,684; and bacon from $2,230,514 to $2,681,315.

MASKED BANDITS ENTER ST. LOUIS JEWELRY STORE

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—Two masked bandits tonight entered a jewelry store near Grand and Olive streets, the heart of the city, seized $4,000 worth of diamonds and after exchanging a dozen shots with the proprietor of the store escaped.

The bandits entered the store with leveled revolvers and while one covered George Garver, the salesman, the other filled his pockets with diamonds and jewelry. Two bull dogs in the store attacked the bandits but one shot put both dogs to flight.

INQUEST HELD OVER THE ENGLISH SLAIN

Coroner's Jury Reaches Verdict Over Bodies of Victims of Bombardment

BOOM IN RECRUITING

Germans' Attack Starts Little Boom In Recruiting Which Had Slackened for Holidays

BRITISH SHELL COAST OF FLANDERS

BULLETIN.

Hartlepool, Eng., Dec. 17.—via London, Dec. 18—(1:35 a. m.)—The latest official estimate of the casualties resulting from the German bombardment of Hartlepool issued late tonight says that eighty-two persons were killed and about 250 were wounded.

Hartlepool, via London, Dec. 17.—(11:05 p. m.)—An inquest was opened here today over the bodies of seventy-nine victims of the German bombardment, killed in Hartlepool and West Hartlepool.

In opening the court the coroner said that never before in English history had an inquest been held under similar circumstances and he hoped that the occasion never would occur again. The shelling of the Hartlepools he added, afforded a faint idea of what Belgium and France had suffered through the German invasion.

The evidence though mostly of a formal character, brought to light some pathetic cases. An old woman was picking up coal dropped from cars on the railroad embankment when she was killed by a shell. An old man and his two daughters were just starting breakfast in their kitchen when a shell burst in the room killing all three of them.

A young woman went to the house of her aged mother, intending to conduct her to a place of safety. Entering the passageway she stumbled across her mother's body. A shell had pierced the roof and killed her. An elderly man who thought the gun firing was that of British ships at practice, sat down unconcernedly to breakfast. A shell carried away the corner of his house killing his two little grand children.

The verdict rendered by the coroner's jury was that the deaths of the seventy-nine persons were due to bombardment of the twin boroughs "by an enemy who under cover of a dense fog fired shot and shell into the towns, killing many unarmed civilians."

Resume Regular Routine.

The people of the English coast towns of Scarborough, the Hartlepool and the Whitby which yesterday were bombarded by German cruisers, resumed their ordinary occupations today. The only difference discerned in the regular routine of this season of the year was the arrival of crowds of camera-bearing tourists, who reminded the residents of the summer influx; the return of those who had fled on the first sound of the firing and busy mechanics who were early at work repairing the damage done by the shells.

The mayor of Scarborough placarded the walls of the city with posters advising the people to keep cool but this was hardly necessary for beyond grief for the loss of friends and neighbors and the little pride displayed at the attention they attracted, the citizens seemed to be going about their business quite in a natural way. It will not be long before all marks of the damage done by the gun fire will be removed.

The attitude of the people of England is much the same as that of the bombarded towns. There are no signs of excitement and the only effect the bombardment has had is the demand that naturalized Germans and those who have not been naturalized shall be excluded from areas open to attack such as that delivered yesterday and a little boom in recruiting which has been slackening owing to the approach of Christmas.

Worth Two Army Corps.

The Rt. Hon. Thomas J. MacNamara, parliamentary secretary to the admiralty, in speaking of the effect of the German raid said it was worth two army corps to Kitchener's army.

It is believed now that the German squadron included at least four battle cruisers of the super-dreadnaught class and two armored cruisers. The shelling of Hartlepools and Scarborough was simultaneous, but Whitby was visited by the warships after they had left the other towns.

An inquest was begun today into the deaths of the 77 persons killed in the Hartlepools and tomorrow a

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JEWELRY IS THE THING FOR XMAS GIFTS



DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE DAY BEFORE TO BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS. IN THE RUSH AND CROWDS YOU CANNOT ACCOMPLISH WHAT YOU DESIRE. RIGHT NOW OUR STOCK OF XMAS THINGS IS VERY COMPLETE, AND WE CAN GIVE YOU THE GREATEST CARE AND ATTENTION. OUR STORE IS THE PLACE WHERE THE QUESTION "WHAT SHALL I GIVE" IS BEST ANSWERED. OUR NAME ON A BOX IS A GUARANTEE OF QUALITY.

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Remember Today.

"It is impossible to make your conduct perfect but it is easy to make it better than it has been."

Educational Embezzlers.

A well educated man who has taken training at a college or university and who does nothing for the common good is an educational embezzler according to a definition recently made by Dr. Graham White of Chicago. The term seems very appropriate indeed for the man who constantly receives and gives nothing really has secured his education under false pretenses. It is not possible for each person to exemplify the truth that "he that would be the greatest should be the servant of all," yet the average man or woman well educated or otherwise can do something along the line of serving their fellow man if the effort is made.

Revenue Stamps Annoy.

More than one man who recently has found irksome the task of paying for and "licking" a number of revenue stamps to attach to some document, is ready to question his Democratic friends about their tariff policy. The wonder is why the Democratic party talks so much about a tariff for revenue only and then enacts such legislation that a big deficit is created which must be wiped out by taxing the home people. This "war tax" when no war exists so far as this country is concerned is bringing a vast amount of criticism for the Democrats.

Practical Church Work.

Monmouth ministers have taken up the question of unemployment in a very practical way. Each one announced last Sunday from his pulpit that any member of the congregation who had work for a man for a few hours or longer would confer a favor by telephoning him to that effect the next day or on any day afterward.

The ministers made the announcements by agreement having first secured a list of men seeking work. The plan is said to have resulted beneficially already and there are prospects that the movement may be taken up by ministers elsewhere as they see in it a plan not only for present aid to those who need it, but also the future possibility of getting into closer touch with the people. The church of today is by no means a failure but its usefulness and influence will be greatly enlarged if it does meet conditions such as unemployment and give something in the line of temporal as well as spiritual aid.

The Triumph of the American Shoe.

Newspaper readers will have noted that among the big orders for supplies given for the contending armies, are enormous purchases of American shoes. It will be strange indeed if Europe does not learn from this experience that the American shoemaker is the best in the world.

Across the water the ordinary shoe combines awkwardness of form with ill-finished effects at fancy style. As a result of the inferiority of the ready made article, high priced custom shoe-making is said to be more common than with us.

As one looks in at the window of any good shoe store, it would be hard to speak too warmly of the fine effect made by our home-made and ready-to-wear article.

American makers have attained a wonderful success in producing leather that shall be pliable, soft, and comfortable to the foot, yet capable of resisting strain. The fitting of the upper to the peculiar curves of a last is a technical problem that is wonderfully solved. Years ago one often used to see wrinkles in shoes, which spoiled the contour to the eye and irritated the feet. Nowadays, by some craftsman's magic, the upper seems to emerge from the sole as if it grew there.

It will be strange, indeed, if many of the fighters of Europe, who are now to wear American shoes for the first time, are not attracted by their soft comfort after they return to normal occupations.

Cost of Tuberculosis and Typhoid.

Estimates regarding the loss caused by preventable diseases are always interesting, although necessarily general. The smaller the area affected, the more accurate are the figures apt to be. Prof. Irving Fisher's estimate, in his report on national vitality, of the economic loss for the entire country at one and one-half billions a year is familiar to students of public health conditions. An estimate recently issued by the Minnesota State Board of Health shows the economic loss from death from typhoid fever in Minnesota in the last six years to be $21,958,940, while the deaths from tuberculosis are six times as great and the loss three times as great as that from typhoid, or $66,583,320, making a total loss from the two diseases alone of $88,542,260 for six years, or an annual loss of $14,757,043. In making this estimate the following economic values were used in computing the financial loss from death; professional, business men and farmers, $500; skilled laborers, $300; unskilled laborers and domestics, $200; children under 15 years of age, $100. These valuations are conservative, in the opinion of The Journal of the American Medical Association, and should represent the minimum rather than the maximum loss.

Diamond rings, $5 and up at Schram's.

BILLIARD CONTEST.

Jake Schaefer vs. Marcus Catton tonight. Frank's Cigar Factory.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT SMALL

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 17.—According to a statement sent today to the senate it cost Adolph Germer of Mt. Olive, Socialist candidate for United States senate at the November election, $9.27 to conduct his campaign. Of this sum $4 was contributed. Germer is vice-president of the Illinois United Mine Workers of America.

STOCK QUARANTINE LIFTED.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Orders issued by the department of agriculture late today lifted the livestock foot and mouth quarantine against a number of Wisconsin counties.

SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS GIVEN TO 'XMAS FUND

THURSDAY'S CONTRIBUTIONS SET NEW GIVING RECORD.

Total Now Well on Way to Six Hundred Dollar Mark and One Thousand is a Possibility—People are Responding With Marked Generosity—Hope is for Fund Sufficient for Aiding Needy Through Winter Months.

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNITED CHRISTMAS FUND

Associated Charities	$168.36
City Hall Fund	145.50
Salvation Army	99.45
Old People's Home	2.00
Christmas Tree Fund	88.35
Kindergarten Xmas Fund	15.00
Anti-Tuberculosis Fund	2.50
Passavant Hospital	5.00
	$526.16
Journal's Ten Per Cent	52.61
	$578.77

Thursday's Contributions.

Friend—Salvation Army	3.00
Friend—Free Kindergarten	5.00
Red Men—City Hall Fund	5.00
E. E. McPhail—City Hall	5.00
Friend—City Hall Fund	1.00
Friend—City Hall Fund	2.00
Mrs. Charles A. Barnes—Associated Charities	5.00
Mrs. H. H. Hall—Associated Charities	5.00
Mrs. H. H. Hall—Passavant Hospital	5.00
Cash—Associated Charities	3.00
Anonymous — Associated Charities	2.00
Miller Weir — Associated Charities	5.00
Captain Pinkston—Salvation Army	21.00
	$ 72.00

Thursday's Division of Contributions

Passavant Hospital	5.00
Free Kindergarten	5.00
Salvation Army	24.00
Associated Charities	25.00
City Hall Fund	13.00
	$ 72.00

Thursday set a new record for the United Christmas Fund, the total contributions running up to the generous figure of $72.00. The Salvation Army and the Associated Charities shared almost equally in the giving as the Army received $24 and the Associated Charities $25. The City Hall Fund was augmented by $13 and $5 was given for the Free Kindergarten. A new fund was started to be included with the others when Mrs. H. H. Hall gave $5 for Passavant hospital.

Thursday's gifts brought the total sum to the goodly figures of $578.77. There are seven more days until Christmas and why not made that sum $1,000? With ten per cent added this will mean $1,100 and the money will provide, not only a vast amount of substantial Christmas cheer, but there will also be enough to spread the good work over several succeeding months and provide working funds for the several agencies which engage regularly in charity work. The call for food and clothing will not end, by any means, with the holiday season and any man or women who makes a contribution, large or small, for the United Christmas Fund, is aiding in a great and good work.

The season has not commonly been accounted as especially prosperous, yet that fact does not seem to have at all interfered with the generous impulses of the people of Jacksonville and Morgan county. Never has there been such generosity shown for the various charitable enterprises, which are included in the United Christmas Plan. People may possibly be feeling a trifle economical with reference to their own wants, or those of near friends and relatives, but certainly this feeling has not affected, in any way, their giving for those who stand in need of food, clothing or fuel.

If you can aid any of these funds, send or bring a dollar or more to the Journal office. Ten per cent will be added and the total will then be passed on to the credit of the fund you wish especially to aid. If it is not practical for you to give financial aid, possibly you can send clothing or supplies direct to persons in charge of the various enterprises and if neither money nor supplies are at your disposal, possibly you can, with advantage, catch the spirit of that Peoria woman who has just announced that on Christmas day a welcome in her home awaits any man, woman or child who may come there. This good woman's idea is that there are many people in Peoria who, while they may not be actually lacking in food and clothing, will, on Christmas day, have a heaviness of heart or spirit which can only be cheered away by the joys of home surroundings. After all, there is nothing which really can take the place of the home joys, and this Peorian has touched upon the subject at a vital point.

Cold weather always means roughness for the hands. Gilbert's creme balm hand lotion speedily brings the skin back its natural softness.

WITH THE SICK

Dottie, the five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mawson residing near Diamond Grove, is reported quite ill.

Mrs. V. D. Wilson, while calling at the home of her mother, Mrs. A. D. Conlee, on Hardin venue Wednesday was taken ill and a physician called. She is reported some better, but will not be able to go to her home for some days.

FOR SALE—30 acres good improvements near city limits. Address "30" care Journal. 12-17-tf

COURT NEWS

After twenty four hours deliberation, the jury which was considering the divorce case of John A. Buchanan vs Linda Buchanan, returned a verdict Thursday noon, finding for the complainant. The verdict found the defendant guilty of extreme and repeated cruelty toward the complainant in manner and form as charged in the complainant's bill. Mrs. Buchanan's motion for a new trial was overruled. Decree of divorce granted and approved. Cause stricken.

In the matter of George N. Sargent et al, vs Charles E. Roberts, et al, the case was remanded from the supreme court and cause reinstated by agreement. Guardian ad litem fee to L. O. Vaught, $25 to be taxed as costs. Final order granted and approved in accordance with and pursuant to the mandate of the supreme court. Cause stricken.

Real Estate Transfers.

Emmanual M. Salby to John E. Salby, warranty deed, part lot 18, Madeira addition to Jacksonville, $1,000.

J. Marshal Miller to Henry Toensmann, warranty deed, part w 1-2, ne 1-4, 9-15-10. $1,500.

Case Added to Docket.

A bill of partition suit was filed Thursday with Circuit Clerk Pyatt by Catherine Holmes, Sarah A. Merica, Eliza J. Harris, Nancy Lindsay, Celia H. Denton, Geraldine Stockton, Louella Smith, Morgan Stockton, Stephen D. Stockton, Samuel S. Stockton, Tertius A. Stockton, Douglas Smith, Joseph A. Stockton and Martin F. Cary vs Etta May Yetter, et al. The suit concerns 94 acres off the east side of the southeast quarter of Section 8, township 16, range 9 and 30 acres off the south end of the west half of the northwest quarter of Section 9, township 16, range 9. The case was filed on the chancery docket and will come up for hearing at the May term of the Morgan County Circuit Court.

Probate Court News.

In the matter of the estate of John O. Connell. Final report approved. Executor discharged. Will declared fully executed and estate closed.

In the matter of the estate of Charles Dowd. Inventory approved.

Honor Bright pure pork sausage at Zell's Grocery.

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IS GIVEN SURPRISE.

Mrs. George Killam of the Orleans neighborhood was given a very pleasant surprise by her neighbors and friends Monday evening, the occasion being her birthday. The evening was very pleasantly spent in dancing and during the hours an oyster supper was served. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Thompson and daughters Dorsia and Bertha, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wise, Mrs. Thomas Long and daughter Lillie and son Ruel, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennett, Miss Cora Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Green, daughters Augusta and Hazel and son Gerald; Mrs. William Bocking and daughters Rose, Emma and Esther; Mr. and Mrs. William Walbaum and daughters Louise and Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodd, Miss Elizabeth Bocking, Miss Bertha Dunlap, Edward Coe, D. Johnson, M. Coe, H. Horton, Walter Schneps, Crum Cleary and Earl Baxter. Music for the evening was furnished by Marvin Thompson and George Killam.

BILLIARD CONTEST.

Jake Schaefer vs. Marcus Catton tonight. Frank's Cigar Factory.

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25c Infant Glycerine Suppositories	15c
35c Castoria	25c

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CITY AND COUNTY

Mrs. J. W. Leggett is visiting with relatives in Virginia.

Frank Knust of Murrayville was trading in town yesterday.

William Kirby of Franklin was a visitor in the city Thursday.

J. H. Hubbs of Prentice was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Dr. Armstrong of Franklin was a visitor in the city Thursday.

Miss Lulu Reid of Roodhouse was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Roy Van Gundy of Neelyville was a visitor in the city yesterday.

J. C. Andras of Manchester was a caller in the city yesterday.

Miss Martha Russel of Woodson spent Thursday in Jacksonville.

6 nice grapefruits for 25c at Zell's Grocery.

Lloyd Spires of Franklin is the guest of relatives in the city.

Mrs. A. Abernathy of Concord was shopping in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Carl Hale of Bluffs was shopping in the city yesterday.

Amos Megginson of Woodson was a Thursday visitor in Jacksonville.

Robert Middleton of Franklin was trading in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Frank Robinson of Murrayville spent Thursday in the city.

Miss Edna Lewis of Prentice was a Thursday visitor in Jacksonville.

Bert Fitzsimmons was transacting business in the city Thursday.

Miss Katie Whalen of Franklin was shopping in the city Thursday.

Be sure to attend the turkey supper at Northminster church tonight. 35 cents.

Miss Etta Kircher of Arenzville was shopping in the city Thursday.

Mrs. Edward Mills of Murrayville was shopping in the city yesterday.

J. E. Power of Griggsville was a Thursday business caller in the city.

Mrs. H. C. Benway of Tallula was a visitor in the city Thursday.

Miss Myra Anderson of Chapin was a visitor in the city Thursday.

Mrs. J. A. Deatherage of Arcadia was shopping in the city Thursday.

Miss Ellen Harney of Woodson was a Thursday shopper in the city.

Mrs. Cathryn Scott of Franklin was a Thursday shopper in the city.

Sterling Silver Toilet cases at Schram's.

Mrs. Bert Millard of Murrayville was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Beatrice McKinney of Lynnville was a Thursday shopper in the city.

Mrs. Frank Robinson of Murrayville was a visitor in the city Thursday.

Miss Zella Cain from near Woodson was shopping in town Thursday.

Young men will be pleased to receive one or more of the SILK SHIRTS shown by FRANK BYRNS.

James Middleton of Ebenezer was in Jacksonville on business Thursday.

Mrs. John Olson of Greenview was among the visitors in the city Thursday.

George Olinger of Franklin was a business caller in the city Thursday.

W. W. Wilson of Sinclair was among the visitors in the city Thursday.

Henry Surratt of Markham was a Thursday business caller in Jacksonville.

Honor Bright pure pork sausage at Zell's Grocery.

Roy Atherton of Pleasant Plains spent Thursday with relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Curry of Pisgah were Thursday visitors in the city.

Louis Bishop of Roodhouse was in the city Thursday visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward of Franklin were city visitors yesterday.

W. T. Filson of Concord was a business caller in the city yesterday.

Sterling Silver Toilet cases at Schram's.

Miss Margaret Aley of Tallula was a visitor in Jacksonville yesterday.

Edward Rexroat of Arcadia was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Samuel Allen of Literberry was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Miss Mary Hohman of Alexander waas shopping in Jacksonville yesterday.

Miss Mary Berry of Exeter was the guest of friends in the city yesterday.

You will find "Wild Rose" creamery butter measures up to your highest standard for good butter.

Thomas F. Blair of Pearl was transacting business in the city yesterday.

C. L. Neill of Arcadia was transacting business in Jacksonville yesterday.

Richard Stanley of Joy Prairie transacted business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Oscar Harmon of Franklin was a shopper in Jacksonville yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lora Seymour were visitors in the city yesterday from Franklin.

Mrs. H. C. Finney and daughter of Bluffs were Thursday visitors in Jacksonville.

State Street Church Aid Market, 224 West State, Saturday, Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burch of Franklin were visitors in the city Thursday.

Misses Grace Hailey and Mary Sloan have taken positions in Kresges store.

Frank Mullens of Concord was transacting business in the city Thursday.

Mrs. William Perbix of Chapin was among the shoppers in the city Tuesday.

Richard Megginson of Woodson was transacting business in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lora Seymour of Franklin were visitors in the city yesterday.

Lewis Perbix of Lynnville was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Ernest and Irvin Henry of Murrayville were Thursday visitors in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gardner of Virginia were shopping in the city yesterday.

Mrs. George W. Spires, Jr., of Nortonville was shopping in the city yesterday.

Miss Mary Berry of Merritt was among the shoppers in the city Thursday.

Men's or Women's Umbrellas. FRANK BYRNS Hat Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burch of Franklin were Thursday visitors in Jacksonvillle.

Dr. and Mrs. L. W. Fulton of New Berlin were Thursday visitors in Alexander.

Mrs. John Adkins of Prentice was among the business callers in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wooddall of Manchester were visitors in the city Thursday.

George Hall and Miss Nellie Hall were visitors in the city Thursday from Arenzville.

A. W. Jewsbury of Merritt was among the Thursday business visitors in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis of Sinclair were among the Thursday visitors in the city.

Charles Stevenson of Virginia was among the Thursday business callers in Jacksonville.

F. H. Wemple and Geo. W. Stice of Waverly were in the city on business Thursday.

Edward D. Smith of Winchester was among the business visitors in the city Thursday.

Turkey supper at Northminster church tonight. 35 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rudisill of Arcadia were among the Thursday shoppers in the city.

Miss Helen Wooster of White Hall was among the Thursday visitors in Jacksonville.

Miss Alice Criswell was among the visitors in Jacksonville Thursday from Franklin.

Mrs. J. W. Langdon of Murrayville was among the shoppers in the city Thursday.

Miss Catherine McCarty of Alexander was among the shoppers in the city Thursday.

Miss Birdie O'Meara of the Buckhorn neighborhood was shopping in the city Thursday.

Harry and Nellie Gray of Alexander were among the visitors in the city Thursday.

Mrs. Florence Harmon of Murrayville was among the shoppers in Jacksonville Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Elder of Franklin were among the visitors in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Beird of Naples were among the Thursday visitors in Jacksonville.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Keplinger of Franklin were doing some shopping in Jacksonville Thursday.

Miss Alta Leonard of Nuncy was in the city Thursday. She is visiting with relatives in Bluffs.

6 nice grapefruits for 25c at Zell's Grocery.

Mrs. Edgar Gibbs and daughter of Scott County were among the shoppers in the city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin of the Ebenezer neighborhood were shopping in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Daniel Winters and Miss Allie Lonergan of Murrayville visited with friends in the city yesterday.

Thomas Hembrough of Asbury neighborhood was among the Thursday business callers in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Nell Griffith and daughter Edith of Roodhouse were among the visitors in Jacksonville Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Page, Mrs. W. S. Creed, William Braker and Miss Edna Lewis were among the Prentice visitors in the city Thursday.

William Ross of Philadelphia, Cass county, is a guest at the home of his son, J. E. Ross, 263 Findley street.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rexroat and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rexroat of Arcadia were trading in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Daniel Winters and Misses Lena and Allie Lonergan were Thursday visitors in the city from Woodson.

Edward Warfield Brown, Jr., will arrive this morning from Philadelphia, where he is attending school at the University of Pennsylvania.

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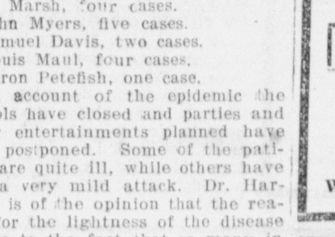
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INVESTIGATES SMALL POX EPIDEMIC AT LITERBERRY

County Physician T. O. Hardesty Under Order of County Commissioners Find Many Homes Quarantined.

Dr. T. O. Hardesty, county physician, made a trip to Literberry, Thursday, under orders of the county commissioners to investigate the small pox epidemic there. He found several homes which were under quarantine and four places where the people had reported cases that did not have up signs. Two of the places visited were put under quarantine.

The homes quarantined and the number of cases in each place follow:

Charles Mullens, one case.
Robert Bateman, one case.
Tice Crum, three cases.
Albert Chatman, two cases.
B. Marsh, four cases.
John Myers, five cases.
Samuel Davis, two cases.
Louis Maul, four cases.
Aaron Petefish, one case.

On account of the epidemic the schools have closed and parties and other entertainments planned have been postponed. Some of the patients are quite ill, while others have had a very mild attack. Dr. Hardesty is of the opinion that the reason for the lightness of the disease is due to the fact that so many in years past have been thoughtful enough to get vaccinated. He advises everyone in that community to be vaccinated at once and if this is done the epidemic can be stamped out in three or four weeks. Some who attended the gatherings in Literberry at the time the disease was present have carried it some miles away and it is possible that there will be several more cases in the county if the vaccination privilege is not taken advantage of.

Buy cigars for Christmas for your men friends. They all know these brands, El Macco, Mac's Own, Three Links, Old Per Coon and Our Guarantee. Packed in special Christmas boxes, just the size you want.

LINE TENDERED FOR HIGHWAY

The Florence and Cripple Creek Railway Company has decided to abandon nine miles of its Canon City-Victor branch, which was washed out in a flood three years ago. The State Railway Commission recently ordered the company to rebuild the track and maintain freight and passenger service. Instead, the company chooses to tender its right of way and roadbed to the Teller and Fremont county commissioners as an automobile highway, which, according to J. E. Maloney, engineer of Colorado state highway, will cost $10,000. The money may be raised privately.

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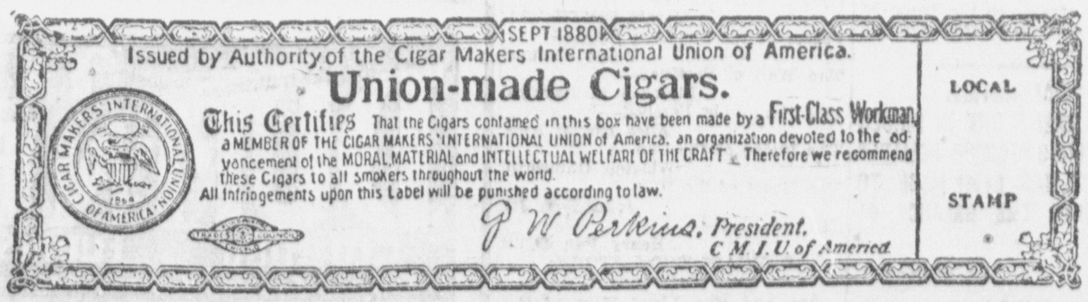
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2 lbs best California seedless raisins..... 25c
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THE M. P. L. ELECTION.

The Protective League Life Insurance company, Branch No. 269, formerly known as the M. P. L., elected the following officers Thursday night at the regular meeting.

Past president—J. H. Lutkemyer.
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Athens Camp No. 4980 R. N. A. held their annual election of officers at the Woodman Hall Wednesday evening as follows:

Oracle—Charlotte Suiter.
Vice Oracle—Ada Barcroft.
Chancellor—Nancy Haynes.
Recorder—Hattie Braner.
Receiver—Nellie Harvey.
Marshal—Ella Brook.
Inner Sentinel—Sarah Stringham.
Outer Sentinel—Emma Jacobs.

The lady would be pleased with FURS such as are sold by FRANK BYRNS Hat Store.

M. V. WYATT RECEIVES NEWS OF BIRTH OF GRANDDAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Martin V. Wyatt of this city have a new granddaughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wyatt of Roodhouse, Saturday, Dec. 12. This is the third granddaughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt and the third also with Dec. 12 as her natal day. Mrs. Ralph W. Hutchison is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wyatt.

INQUEST HELD OVER THE ENGLISH SLAIN

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similar inquiry will begin touching the deaths of the 17 Scarborough victims.

There has been some naval activity on the part of the allies in other parts of the world. British ships have been bombarding the Germans along the coast of Flanders and the Turks in the Gulf of Saros, while the Russian Black Sea fleet has sunk a German steamer and an unknown vessel supposed to be a Turkish warship.

Austria, it is reported, has lost the training ship Beethoven, which if it was being used for training purposes, would have at least 200 cadets on board.

Declares Coast Towns Defended.

New York, Dec. 17.—That Hartlepool, Scarborough and Whitby, the three English towns bombarded by German warships yesterday, are defended places and that the Germans therefore were justified in shelling them, is the substance of a statement given out here tonight by Captain Franz Von Papen, military attache of the German embassy at Washington. The statement follows:

"In reference to yesterday's bombardment of three English coast towns, Hartlepool, Scarborough and Whitby, by the German fleet attention is respectfully called to Article I of the Hague convention of October 18, 1907, which says:

"'The bombardment by naval forces of undefended ports towns, villages, dwellings or buildings is forbidden.'

"In concurrence with the report of the English Official Press Bureau the fact is established that Hartlepool is fortified, while Scarborough and Whitby are defended like all other British coast places, either by regular troops, coast guns or volunteers.

"Permit me to state in addition that the bombardment of all Belgian coast places as Ostend, Nieuport, Zeebrugge, etc. by the British-French navy did not take place because these places were fortified, which, in fact, they are not, but solely because they are defended by German troops."

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SWIFT WAREHOUSE BURNS

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Twenty six thousand barrels of apples, planned to be used in making Christmas cider, were destroyed today in a fire which partly consumed a warehouse owned by Swift & Co., in the Chicago stock yards. The loss was estimated at $50,000.

BILLIARD CONTEST.

Jake Schaefer vs. Marcus Catton tonight. Frank's Cigar Factory.

CANDIDATES FOR NO. 625.

At the regular meeting of Caritas Rebekah lodge No. 625 at the hall on West State street Thursday Miss Hunter, Bert Lumsden and Clyde Black were received into membership. There were present a large number of visitors and the evening was a very enjoyable one.

Remember the turkey supper at Northminster church tonight. 35c.

SEEK AN INJUNCTION.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—An injuction to restrain F. W. Matthiessen and his family from exercising control of the Matthiessen and Hegeler Zing company of LaSalle, Ill., was sought in a suit filed in the United States district court today by Lina Zuleikha Hageler Van Vlet[illegible] of Berlin and Camilla Hegeler Bucherer of Bonn, Germany, daughters of Edward Hegeler, one of the founders.

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CAPTURE GERMAN STEAMER.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 17.—A despatch received here from Buenos Ayres says the Argentine Cruiser Pueyrredon has captured the German Steamer Woerman for an alleged violation of neutrality.

The British Steamers Orcoma and Corcobada are remaining in port in Arica, Chili, fearing to put to sea, as the German Auxiliary Cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich is outside the port.

STERLING NOVELTIES SCHRAM'S

LEAVES CANAL ZONE.

Colon, Dec. 17.—Colonel George W. Goethals, governor of the Panama canal zone, accompanied by Mrs. Goethals, left for the United States today on a month's leave of absence. He will spend Christmas with his children.

EMBLEM RINGS SCHRAM'S.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hawk of Barrow are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Baird on North Prairie street.

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SOCIAL EVENTS.

Miss Virginia Roberts and Miss Louise Guyette entertained the members of the Kewpie Klan club Thursday evening at the nome of the former, 313 North Church street. Each member of the club was present and a very enjoyable evening was spent, with a literary and musical program and a guessing contest as entertainment features. Miss Zella Routzong was elected to membership and was immediately thereafter appointed to the position of Middy Kewp. Excellent work was done by the degree staff, Misses Vita Mueller, Irene Park and Hildegrade Sibert. Miss Edna Walsh, K. P., played an instrumental solo, Miss Routzong sang a number and Miss Roberts, K. G., favored the company with a reading. After an instrumental solo by the Kepwidee, Miss Georgie Melton, Miss Ruth Peters, Kewpie Scribbler, read a story written by the young lady first named and Misses Roberts and Routzong gave a duet. After an extemporaneous talk by Miss Bertha Daggett, the contest was held and the prize was won by Miss Routzong.

The following names were submitted for membership: Misses Irene Smith, Ethel Jones, Bess Hadden and Marie Walsh.

The regular monthly meeting of the Philathea Circle of the Central Christian church Bible school was held Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. G. Sibley, of South Clay avenue. The hostesses were Mrs. Sibley, Miss Elizabeth Brewer, Mrs. Lydia Ricks and Mrs. Emma Hardings. The program included two very enjoyable readings by Miss Inez Griffin entitled "Runaway Boy" and "The Fly Story." A brief business session was held and during the afternoon light refreshments were served.

The men of Grace Methodist church entertained the boys and young men of the church Thursday evening in the church parlors. There was a large number present and a most enjoyable and profitable time spent. A supper was served at 6:30 o'clock by the men, the members of Charles A. R. Stone's class doing the serving. Music was furnished by the Sunday School orchestra and the program included two readings by Floyd Williamson, and addresses were made by Dr. F. A. McCarty, John J. Reeve and Paul Fritchey. The committee in charge was composed of C. E. Williamson, J. I. Graham, Dr. H. L. Griswold and Rev. J. W. Miller.

The ladies of Centenary M. E. church held their December birthday social at the church Thursday. The hostesses were Mrs. Ira Patterson, Mrs. A. T. Sweringer, Mrs. F. A. McCarty and Miss Susan McFadden. A business session was held and a good report made from the recent turkey supper show the society having a good balance in the treasury. Miss Hazel Busby gave a reading and during the afternoon light refreshments were served.

Miss Sarah Groves entertained a company of twenty-four Thursday evening at her home on North Church street and a very pleasant evening was spent with games and social converse, music and contests. Light refreshments were served the guests at a convenient hour. In the contests prizes were won by Joseph Sehy, Harry Cain and Miss Frances Graubner.

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Florence L. Barclya
The Honorable Percival—
Alice Hegan Rice
The Inside of the Cup—
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The Heart of the Hills—
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WINTER WHEAT CROP IN POOR CONDITION

GOVERNMENT'S ESTIMATE OF PRODUCTION NEXT YEAR IS 580,000,000 BUSHELS.

Substantial Decrease in Estimated Yield Despite Fact That Area Sown This Fall is Greatest Ever Planted in This Country.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Owing to the poor condition of winter wheat on December 1st, the department of agriculture's estimate today, based on condition figures of production next year is only 580,000,000 bushels, although the area sown this fall, 41,263,000 acres is the greatest ever planted in the United States.

The poor condition is due principally to a very dry fall which caused the growing crop to get a poor start and to the Hessian fly, scattering reports of which have been received from various localities from Maryland to Oklahoma.

The bureau of crop estimates, in interpreting the condition reports issued this statement:

"The condition of the winter wheat crop on December 1st, is estimated at 88.3 per cent of a normal, which compares with 97.2 per cent a year ago. In the past ten years, the condition on December 1st, has averaged 90.3 per cent and the out turn of the crops has averaged about 14.4 bushels per acre on the planted area.

In the same proportion the condition of 88.3 would forecast a yield of about 14.08 bushels which on the estimated acreage planted amounts to 580,000,000 bushels.

"The production in 1914 was estimated at 675,623,000 bushels (by far the largest amount ever produced in one year) and in the preceding five years an average annual production of 441,000,000 bushels.

"In forecasting this quantity of 580,000,000 bushels it should be considered as the amount of which the probability is equal that the out turn will be either above or below it. The crop will be larger or smaller than this amount according as the changes in conditions from now to harvest are better or worse than average changes."

The acreage and condition on December 1st of winter wheat and rye by principal states follow:

Winter Wheat.

States	Acres	Condition
Pennsylvania	1,366,000	85
Virginia	1,270,000	93
North Carolina	1,097,000	95
Ohio	2,101,000	94
Indiana	2,820,000	89
Illinois	2,934,000	92
Michigan	963,000	92
Iowa	536,000	96
Missouri	2,844,000	87
Nebraska	3,637,000	90
Kansas	8,779,000	80
Texas	1,367,000	89
Oklahoma	3,092,000	83
Montana	683,000	98
Washington	1,174,000	100
Oregon	685,000	93
California	638,000	98

Rye.

Pennsylvania	292,000	87
Ohio	112,000	96
Indiana	104,000	93
Michigan	388,000	95
Wisconsin	444,000	97
Minnesota	296,000	96
Iowa	59,000	92
North Dakota	160,000	92
South Dakota	92,000	94
Nebraska	131,000	93
All other	483,000	93

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GAME LAW CHANGES PROPOSED

The Illinois state game and fish conservation commission has indorsed a number of vital and important changes in the present game laws of the state. The changes advocated and which will be brought before the next legislature are as follows:

Amend section 4, making the water fowl open season conform with the federal law, season being from September 1 to 15.

Making it unlawful to shoot or kill water fowl with rifle, swivel gun or from sailboat, motorboat, gas or electric launch, steamboat or air craft within jurisdiction of the state.

Prohibiting the sale of water fowl whether killed in this state or not. This would mean that no water fowl can be shipped into this state.

Prohibit use of and specify trammel net, making lawful length of black bass ten inches instead of eleven inches, these fish to be caught with hook and line only.

Allow use of minnow net in state fish preserves, length of net to be limited to ten feet.

Closed season on rabbits from March 1 to September 15. This period covers the breeding season.

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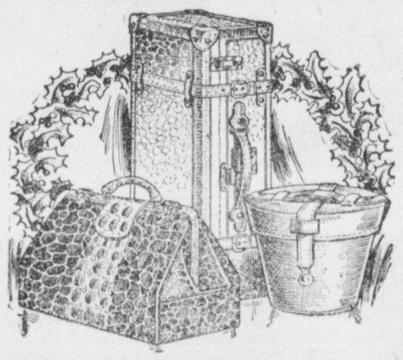
PARENT-TEACHERS' MEETING

There will be a Parent-Teachers' meeting of the First Ward at Jefferson school today at 3:15. A Christmas program will be given. All parents are urged to be present.

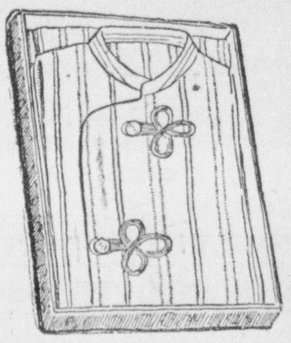
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TO MOVE NEAR FRANKLIN.

Frank Schirz is preparing to move to the Schirz farm near Franklin,



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A Peoria woman has hit upon a somewhat novel scheme for spreading Christmas cheer. It is strange to use the word novel in this connection for she is doing just the simple, natural thing, opening her own home to anyone who cares to come on Christmas day. This good lady conceived the idea that for many people the greatest lack of Christmas day was that of home like surroundings and so she has sent a notice to the newspapers inviting anybody in Peoria to be her guest on Christmas day. Here is the announcement as printed in the Peoria Star:

"This year so much is being done to assist the unfortunate, everybody being bent on a merry Xmas of some kind. The thought strikes me that an old-fashioned Xmas would be of good cheer, especially to those who will on that day know no happiness unless there is some one who will think of them. The child whose mother must be away on that day, the mother who is all alone, the father whose family is no more, the old bachelor whose holiday is made unpleasant from loneliness in his rented room, and the girl and boy who are far away from home, to one and all I sincerely open the doors of my home at 1018 1-2 Monson street from 12 noon until 12 p. m. I wish to make this Xmas a grand old-fashioned one that will bring memories of long ago.

"I do not mean you who are able to care for your children, but those who are not, those who are in need of both your and my assistance, the poor little boy and girl who otherwise would know no Xmas cheer at all.

"We are all poor, that is true, and it will be a case of begging from Peter to serve Paul. If all who are able would donate something, if it is only a can of corn or a 5c loaf of bread do not hesitate to do so, for by thus contributing we can make a great many poor souls happy. Every little bit added to what we have makes just a little bit more, until we at last have a plenty.

"Let this be your first attempt to help the more needy of our race. I want men like Messrs. Finch, Whitesides, Chas. Coleman, Otis Skinner, Chas. Turner and others who have no family to do their best towards the donation of this day. Several have promised already to assist me.

"This not being a society affair, but just an old-fashioned Christ day, I welcome you who will only come. Do not let this Xmas pass a sad day to any one, but come where you can be made happy; do not let clothes keep you back, for what is neater than a clean calico dress or gingham apron. A delightful program from some of Peorias' most talented people will be rendered. Old folks' song will be sung.

"There are no charges, everything is free, so again I take great pleasure in welcoming you to my home.

"To the public: I will gladly receive anything you wish to donate on Dec. 22, 1914, from 12 noon until 12 p. m. Dinner will be served on the 25th.—Mrs. B. A. Manning, 1018 1-2 Monson St., City."

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral services for Mrs. Mary England will be held at 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at the family residence, 302 North East street and will be in charge of Rev. Myron L. Pontius, pastor of Central Christian church. Interment will be in Jacksonville cemetery.

RICH GIFT FOR CHURCH FROM MAN SUPPOSEDLY POOR

First Christian Church of St. Louis is to Get $70,000 From Estate of Stranger to Whom Pastor Extended Kindly Greeting.

A great piece of good fortune has recently come to the First Christian church of St. Louis as the institution has been given an endowment of $70,000 by the will of the late Randall P. Gordon. The income is to be invested each year in the way which most appeals to the pastor and trustees. A simple act of kindliness and thoughtfulness won this rich gift for the church. The St. Louis Globe tells about the gift and the work which it is proposed to do with the money.

"Thanking you in advance", is what Rev. Dr. John L. Brandt, pastor of the First Christian Church, is writing on his letters to Santa Claus. The days before Christmas find Dr. Brandt with his gift safe and sound, an endowment legacy of $70,000, which the courts now have assured him, from Randall R. Gordon, as told in yesterday's Globe-Democrat.

This will yield an income, Dr. Brandt believes, of at least $4000 a year. Its investment is to be left to the pastor and trustees of the church. Such an income is in contrast to the struggle of years which the First Christian church has had since its location at 3126 Locust street became less and less fashionable.

First Church's adversity and the fact that is ministered to those impecunious humans known as "the boarding house class," has been the cause of its prosperity. When Randall R. Gordon, then an old man, found out that 95 per cent of First Church's membership was originally from the country, as he was, and that the young men and women, friendless in St. Louis boarding houses, found social as well as religious life under the protection of the old stone church on Locust street, his thoughts turned to his will, and the $70,000 was the result, First Church, so far as is known, now has the largest endowment of any church of any denomination in the city.

Kind Words Won Legacy.

"Now, isn't it worth while to speak a kind word?" exclaimed the jubilant Dr. Brandt yesterday, having returned from Taylorville.

What Dr. Brandt did to win the rich stranger's heart was as follows according to his story. An impulse moved him on a certain Sunday evening to speak kindly to an old man in the congregation, whom he never had seen before.

He put his arm around the old man's shoulder and asked him what was his name, and where he came from, and was he a Christian, and other questions which nobody but a preacher may ask. "I was really kind to him", said Dr. Brandt.

Then, soon afterward, the incident arose showing how many country people were in the church and the stranger's heart was won. At that time Dr. Brandt had no idea of Gordon's wealth.

First Church eventually will build on its lot on the south side of Washington avenue, between Newstead and Taylor. The income from the $70,000 will be used for institutional features. The church will be built from funds derived from the prospective sale of the old property at 3126 Locust street.

STERLING NOVELTIES SCHRAM'S

WILL BEGIN REVIVAL.

The M. E. church at Chesterfield is planning a series of revival meetings, to begin Dec. 27, the first Sunday after Christmas. The pastor, Rev. F. E. Bracewell, will be in charge.

GOES TO BOSTON, MASS.

Mrs. D. B. Clark of West Lafayette avenue has gone to Boston, Mass., for a visit with her daughter and her son, who is a student at the Harvard law school.



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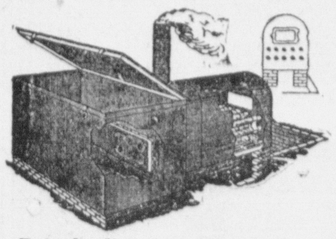
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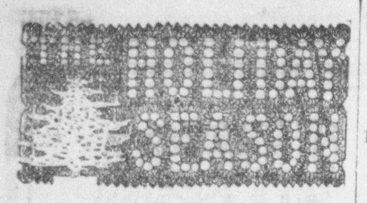


Learn something every day; you'll surely find it pay; the more you know the more you'll go along the upward way. Learn something every hour, and rise to fame and power; it's ill to find a stagnant mind, a brain that's turning sour. Read books that dish up facts in sparkling cataracts; oh, read of guys renowned and wise, their virtues and their acts. It's well to have some fun, when daily toil is done, to drink some pop, or whip a cop, or spend a little mon. But pleasure isn't all that counts on this round ball, and if you hone for that alone, your fortune will be small. Before you go to bed, have something in your head—a fact on file that's worth your while, a slice of mental bread. The great men gone before have left all kinds of lore, where boy and girl may find the pearl of wisdom held in store. Why waste the golden day on cheap old Bertha Clay, or all the tribes of tinhorn scribes who wrote for piece-work pay? Oh, read the good and great, the scribes of high estate, for he who roams their noble tomes will find a golden freight! Learn something true and fine! Dig deep in Learning's mine! With love regard the souring Bard, the Sage's printed line!

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GERMAN CRUISERS TAKEN UNAWARES

FIRST DETAILED ACCOUNTS OF BATTLE REACH BUENOS AYRES.

German Vessels Were on Way to Sieze Falkland Isands When They Were Surprised by British Squadron—Germans Fought Bravely Against Overwhelming Odds.

Buenos Ayres, Argentine, Dec. 17.—The German cruisers sent to the bottom off the Falkland Islands on December 8, apparently were taken unawares by the British at a time when neither side was expecting an encounter. The first detailed accounts of the batlle which reached here today from Puerto Gallegos, Patagonia, say that the Germans were on their way to sieze the Falkland Islands, British possessions when they came unexpectedly upon a lone British warship. The other members of the British fleet were taking on supplies from neighboring islands at the time.

Before the Germans were aware of the strength of their opponents, these ships closed in on them and the fate of Admiral Von Spee's squadron was soon sealed.

The story of the batlle was told by passengers on the British Steamer Orriza which arrived at Punta Arenas, from Callao, Chile. They say that the Germans fought bravely to the end, even the colliers refusing to surrender. Losses of the British were placed at eight men.

It was a formidable British squadron which faced the Germans. Included in it were the battleship Canopus, the battle Cruisers Invincible and Inflexible and the Cruisers Kent, Cornwall, Carnarvon, Bristol and Glasgow. It far out matched in strength the German squadron consisting of the five cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Leipzig, Nurnberg and Dresden.

The British squadron arrived at Port Stanley, Falkland Island, on December 7th, to take on supplies. The next morning the Canopus which was guarding the entrance to the port sighted a hostile warship. Four others quickly came into view and were recognized as the squadron of Admiral Von Spee. The German warships had left the Chilean Islands of Juan Fernandes on Nov. 15th, for the Falkland Islands, to take possession of the Islands and destroy the wireless station.

Canopus First Vessel Sighted.

Only the Canopus was visible at first to the Germans, who steamed straight at her. The Canopus opened fire and the other British warships rushed to her assistance. The Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig formed in batlle line. The Nurnberg and Dresden, however, dropped back from the firing line.

The British warships concentrated their fire on the Scharnhorst, Admiral Von Spee's flagship. When it became evident that she was doomed her crew assembled on the forward deck. The Scharnhorst refused to surrender and after an hour's fighting, plunged beneath the waves. The crew preserved its formation as the ship went down and cheered as the waters closed about them.

The Glasgow engaged the Leipzig and sank her. The Gneisenau went down 80 miles from Port Stanley. The Nurnberg attempted to escape but after a pursuit of two hours was sunk. The Carnarvon pursued the Dresden but was not swift enough to overhaul her and the German warship escaped.

After the batlle the British picked up 194 Germans including a few officers. Of these survivors 100 were from the crews of the two German colliers. An opportunity to surrender was offered the colliers but it was refused and they were sunk.

The Cruiser Cornwall was damaged slightly below the water line. None of the other British warships was damaged.

On December 10th, funeral services were held for the eight British sailors who were killed, in the presence of the commanders and crews of the squadron.

The British admirality report of the batlle stated that only seven men of the British squadron lost their lives.

Vienna, Dec. 17.—Via London, (8:30 p. m.)—An official announcement says the Russians are retreating along the entire front in Galicia and Poland.

London, Dec. 17.—(9:37 p. m.)—Egypt has been declared a British protectorate. This announcement was made officially tonight.

Grimsby, Eng. Dec. 17.—Via London, (11:20 p. m.)—Four survivors of the Norwegian Steamer Vaaren which struck a mine in the North Sea Wednesday night and sank in three minutes, were brought into Grimsby today by a traveler which found them clinging to an upturned life boat.

Thirteen other members of the Vaaren and her English pilot either were killed or drowned.

Paris, Dec. 17.—(10:15 p. m.)—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight:

"In Belgium our troops have gained ground to the north of the road from Ypres to Menin, and also on that to the south and southeast of Bischoote. We have debouched to the northeast of Arras and have reached the first houses of St. Laurent Blangy.

"Appreciable progress has been made at Ovillers-la-Berselle, Mammetz and Maricourt, in the region of Bapaume and Peronne.

"From the Somme to the Vosges there is nothing to report."

London, Dec. 17.—(9:45 p. m.)—The official press bureau tonight issued the following statement concerning the making of Egypt a British protectorate:

"His Brittianic Majesty's principal secretary of state for foreign affairs gives notice that in view of a state of war arising out of the action of Turkey, Egypt is placed under the protection of his majesty and will henceforth constitute a British protectorate.

"The Suzerainty of Turkey over Egypt is thus terminated and His Majesty's government will adopt all measures necessary for the defense of Egypt and the protection of its inhabitants and interests.

"The king has been pleased to approve the appointment of Lieut. Col. Sir Arthur Henry MacMahon to be His Majesty's high commissioner for Egypt."

Vienna, via Amsterdam to London, Dec. 17.—7:45 p. m.)—The following official communication was issued today:

"The latest permits of no further doubt that the resistance of the Russian main force has been shattered. After the defeat of the southern wing in the batlle of Limanovo which lasted several days our allies also gained a victory near Lodz.

"The Russians are now completely routed on the river Bzura.

"Threatened by our advance across the Carpathians, from the south, the enemy began a general retreat which they are trying to cover by stubborn fighting in the regions of the Carpathians.

"Our troops art attacking on the line of Grodno-Zakliczyu.

"Along the other parts of the front the pursuit has begun."

Berlin, Dec. 17.—By wireless to Sayville, L. I.—Among the items given out for publication today by the official press bureau were the following:

"The latest headquarters report from the west appears to point to the possibility of a renewal of activity on a considerable scale in that theatre of war.

"The events in the east, however, continue to absorb chief attention. A report received from North Poland refers to the operations as normal. Similar reports preceded the taking of Lodz and the last report can only mean that favorable progress is being made.

"The Austrians report that the Russians are retiring at nearly all points in South Poland and West Galicia. If the Austrian advance continues it soon will menace the rear of the Russian forces investing Przemysl the defenders of which continue to make successful sallies from the fortress.

"No news of any kind has been received from Servia.

"The Turks report successes near Lake Crumiah, but evidently these operations are unimportant.

"The Persian tribes are alleged to be fighting on the side of the Turks.

"The Swedish Lieut. Col. Evet, after a long stay on the German west front says Germany's economic forces are sufficient and that her military reserves are inexhaustible and that her forces are steadily increasing.

"Evidence sworn to before the German law courts shows that Belgium already was mobilizing at the end of July and also that French officers and men in uniform were present at the end of July in Brussels, Antwerp and other Belgian places.

"Basel reports that the municipality of Lille, at the suggestion of the German officer in command has asked help from the president of the Swiss confederation to get victuals as Lille is cut off from all foreign communication and the population is in distress. The commander guaranteed that the victuals were destined exclusively for the consumption of civilians."

Paris, Dec. 17—(7:20 p. m.)—No fewer than 54 per cent of the French wounded returned to the firing line before December 12th, according to interesting figures supplied today by the surgical department of the minister of war. Of the remainder 24 per cent had been given convalescent leaves, 17 per cent were still in hospitals and 1 1-2 per cent had been discharged from the army. Three and a half per cent of the wounded died.

These statistics demonstrate the remarkable advance made in surgery and show a lower percentage of deaths from wounds than in any preceding war.

ELLEN EXPLAINS RED CROSS SEALS.

Ellen, who is seven years old and lives out in Kansas City, came home from school the other day with a red, green and white "subscription card" the teacher had given her. Her mother had seen something about Red Cross Seals in the paper, but didn't know just what it was all about.

"Oh," said the seven-year-old proudly, "don't you know? They use the money to take care of sick folks—sick folks that haven't got any money to take care of 'emselves. The money they get from the Santy Claus seals goes to run a hospital for those folks. And they pay doctors and nurses to teach people how to get well and how not to get sick. Teacher told us all about it. See, this paper tells."

Then Ellen's mother read the folder that small daughter had brought home, telling how often tuberculosis can be prevented, and when she had finished she signed the card for a liberal number of seals.

ENTERTAINMENT POSTPONED

On account of the smallpox in the adjacent neighborhood, the Christmas tree and entertainment which was to have been given at Hebron church Wednesday, Dec. 23, has been cancelled.

ANNUAL RIVER AND HARBOR BILL COMPLETED

APPROPRIATION BILL CARRIES $34,138,580 FOR WATERWAY IMPROVEMENTS.

All Big Improvement Projects Were Involved in the Effort to Reduce the Appropriations—Illinois Waterways May Receive $534,000 of Total Amount.

THURSDAY IN CONGRESS.

Senate.

Met at noon.

Eulogies were spoken for the late Senator Bacon of Georgia.

Hearings were continued on the water power site land leasing bill and on charges of coal rate discriminations against south Atlantic ports.

In respect to the memory of Senator Bacon, adjournment was taken at 1:59 o'clock until noon Friday.

House.

Rear-Admiral Fiske aid for operations, testified before the naval committee.

Consideration of the executive appropriation bill was continued on the floor.

Secretary Bryan asked the appropriations committee for additional funds to meet extra expenses of the diplomatic and consular service.

Hearings on the bill to regulate cold storage of food and on the river and harbor and agriculture bills were continued in committees.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The annual river and harbor appropriation bill carrying $34,138,580 for waterway improvements throughout the country was completed tonight by the house river and harbor committee. Estimates of the army engineers were reduced by nearly $20,000,000 and the bill appropriates only for work on projects which have already been begun and making no provision for new undertakings.

Following the defeat of the river and harbor bill at the last session of congress and the appropriation of $20,000,000 to maintain work on existing projects the board of engineers submitted estimates aggregating $53,000,000. These the committee, according to Chairman Sparkman, "pared to the bone."

All of the big improvement projects were involved in the effort to reduce the appropriations. The bill gives the Mississippi river $6,937,000 out of $10,500,000 recommended; the Ohio $5,684,000 out of $9,884,000 recommended; the Hudson $1,500,000 out of $3,670,000 recommended, the Tennessee $822,000 out of $3,000,000 recommended; the Columbia $1,985,000 out of $2,500,000 recommended; the Missouri $1,350,000 out of $2,500,000 recommended. The Delaware river receives the full estimate, a cash appropriation of $1,500,000. As agreed to by the committee the measure carries no legislative proposal to alter the present method of making appropriations for waterway improvements.

Appropriations for some of the larger projects in the bill are as follows: Mississippi river; head of passes to the Ohio, and levees from Girardeau to Rock Island (under Mississippi river commission) $5,000,000; Ohio to Missouri rivers $500,000; Missouri river to Minneapolis $1,200,000; St. Paul to Minneapolis $235,000.

Indiana—Indiana Harbor $300,000.

Illinois—Waukegan Harbor $20,000; Chicago $374,000; Calumet $20,000; Chicago river $40,000; Calumet river $30,000; Illinois river below Copperas Creek $50,000.

Minister From Bulgaria.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The first diplomatic representative Bulgaria has ever sent to the United States, Minister Stephen Panaretoff, called at the state department today and had a long conference with Secretary Bryan. He will present his credentials to President Wilson within a few days.

Secretary Bryan said later no arrangement had yet been made for sending a diplomat to Bulgaria which at the present time shares an American minister, Charles Volpitick, with two other Balkan countries, Roumania and Servia. Mr. Volpitick makes his headquarters at Bucharest, capital of Roumania, which has no representtive here.

The new minister formerly was a professor in Roberts College, Constantinople, an American missionary institution, and his wife is a native of this country.

Appropriation Stricken.

Washington, Dec. 17.—An appropriation of $2,286,000 for a five year census of agriculture in the United States was stricken from the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill today by the house sitting as a committee of the whole through an amendment eliminating the appropriation and repealing the law authorizing the census.

The amendment, which was adopted by a vote of 72 to 59, will be voted on again when the bill is formally acted on by the house.

Investigation Begins Today.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Investigation of the livestock foot and mouth disease will begin at the capital tomorrow when several witnesses from Ohio will appear before a sub-committee of the senate agricultural committee appointed to inquire into the nature of the pest and the manner of checking it adopted by government officials.

Diamond rings, $5 and up at Schram's.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 o'clock this morning for Mrs. Rhoda McCormick at 269 Finlay street, in charge of Rev. J. W. Miller. The remains will be taken to Waverly at 2:08 over the Burlington, where further services will be conducted Saturday morning at 10:30 in the Methodist church. Interment will be made in East cemetery.

If in doubt as to what to give the young man, see the Silk Shirts shown by FRANK BYRNS.

Investing in Savings Banks.

Interest is being expressed in the coming one hundredth anniversary of the first American savings bank, which was started 98 years ago in Philadelphia. These banks have had a marvellous growth, with deposits today totaling nearly five billions of money.

The development of savings banks is a matter of great public importance, from the fact that so many people know so little about securities. If small investors lose their little capital, they conclude that they might just as well spend their money and get the good of it, as to lay it away only to see it lost by dishonesty or incompetence. This discourages thrift, reduces the supply of loanable capital, restricts the development of the country, besides causing no end of personal suffering.

Some people have the easy impression that anything bearing the title of Saving Bank is sound and secure. Unfortunately the laws and financial practice of the various states vary greatly. The banks in one state may be sound and solid, while right over the border there may be loose laws and perfunctory inspections.

The savings bank at home is apt to be the safest investment. It comes down largely to a case of the personality of the men. Any intelligent workingman can form a general impression as to the ability and efficiency of the officers in charge of a bank in his own neighborhood. A bank at home, handled by men of prudence and common sense, is a safer risk for the small investor than some other institution miles away.

FURS for the lady will be appreciated. The LATE STYLES are sold at reasonable prices by FRANK BYRNS Hat Store.

EVERY WEEK LIKE A LETTER FROM HOME

Here's a Christmas gift suggestion. Send the Weekly Journal for a year to friends who formerly lived in Morgan county but are resident elsewhere. Members of the family who are away for a year will appreciate this gift above almost any other. The Weekly Journal is issued each Wednesday and in 12 pages gives a complete resume of the week's news. Mailed to any address in the United States for $1.50 a year.

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RAPE FOR HOG PASTURAGE IS ECONOMY FOR STOCKMAN

Porkers Will Harvest the Rape Crop While Corn Must Be Harvested by the Farmer Himself.

The rape plant closely resembles the ruta-baga during its early stages of growth; in fact, so close is this resemblance that often an experienced grower cannot distinguish between them. Its root system, howevre, is more like that of the cabbage. It likes cool weather and will grow during any portion of the year after severe freezing weather is passed. It will endure pretty severe cold weather in the fall and winter without being materially injured; in fact, it may be used for pasturage after being frozen, provided stock are kept off while it is frozen. It does not make much growth during the hot, dry months of mid-summer. Under ordinary cosditions the plants will attain a height of 18 inches to 2 feet or more.

Possibilities of the Crop.

Farmers are becoming more and more interested in the production of green crops for fall, winter and early spring grazing. Especially is this true of those who are engaged in the raising of hogs and poultry. For winter pasturage an acre or two of this crop will supply many tons of nutritious feed at the time of the year when green feeds are scarce. It has been fully demonstrated by repeated trials that an acre of rape properly seeded on good rich land will produce as much pork when used as a hog pasture as the same acre of land cultivated in corn. The rape can be grown much cheaper than the corn, as it will not require any cultivation, and the preparation of the seed-bed and seeding will be about the same for both. The hogs will harvest the rape crop, while the corn must be harvested by the farmer himself. It should be remembered, however, that the acreage of rape than can be profitably utilized for pasturage on the average farm is limited, it usually not being more than two to three acres.

In feeding experiments at the Alabama Station running for 147 days (November 9—April 5) with pigs weighing approximately 45 pounds each at the beginning of the experiment, it was found that the two lots of pigs fed on a ration of two parts corn and one part of wheat shorts and allowed the use of a rape pasture during the period produced pork on an average of 34.4 per cent less cost per pound, counting the cost of providing the rape pasture, than did another lot fed on the same ration and confined in dry lots. In other words, the lots fattened on rape pasture, supplemented with the necessary amount of the ration of corn and wheat shorts, made very satisfactory profit while the lot fattened on the ration of corn and wheat shorts in dry lots afforded little or no profit.

Soil and Its Preparation.

Rape is best adapted for growth in a deep, rich, mellow lamy soil that is fairly well stored with humus. It does not do well on the very light sandy or stiff clay soils because they are deficient is organic matter. Any soil that will produce wheat and corn well will be found suited for the growth of rape. In preparing the land it shuold be well broken, then thoroughly harrowed into a fine, clean seedbed, as is usually done for turnips or rutabagas. If the land has had a liberal application of barnyard manure the previous year, so much the better.

Precautions in Grazing.

In pasturing rape the hogs should not be allowed on it until the plans are at least 10 to 12 inches high, for if pastured before this time the young plants will be likely to be pulled up and killed. Care should be exercised, too, that the number of hogs on the pasture is not so large as to keep the rape too closely grazed, for such would prove fatal to the plants and the life of the pasture would thereby be materially shortened. After being grazed, the plants should be given an opportunity to get well started into growth before being grazed again. By dividing the field into lots these may be pastured in succession. If sown on good land and properly handled one acre of rape will provide grazing for ten to twelve or more. C. B. Williams, Chief, Division of Agronomy. North Carolina Experiment Station.

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SOME LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Here are some additional Santa Claus letters which were sent to the post-office department and transmitted to the chief of police.

"Dear Santa Claus: Please send me a pair of skates, a baby doll, a doll bed, a box of handkerchiefs, one or two story books and candy."

"Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a doll that can say 'mamma,' and a pair of skates, and a doll carriage and a doll bed, and a doll piano and a pair of mittens, and a dress and an apron and a bracelet."

"Dear Santa Claus: Will you please bring me a new blue coat and a muff and I want a doll for Christmas too, and bring me a set of dishes and bring my two brothers something. My little brother wants a suit of clothes and a train, my oldest brother wants a sweater and a pair of shoes and an overcoat and a pair of mittens. My little brother wants gloves, too, and a slide and I guess I will close. Good bye, Santa Claus."

MRS. SLACK'S LETTER.

To Mothers of Delicate Children.

Palmyra, Pa.—"My little girl had a chronic cough and was so thin you could count her ribs and she had no appetite. Nothing we gave her seemed to help her, until one day Mrs. Neibert asked me to try Vinol, and now she is hungry all the time, her cough is gone, she is stouter and has a more healthy color. I wish every mother who has a delicate child would try Vinol."—Mrs. Alfred Slack.

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BIDS FOR AUTOMOBILE.

Bids will be received by the undersigned until 10 a. m. Monday, December 28th, for one automobile designed for use in the police department. Proposals must be for a car not less than 40 horse power, six cylinder, or four passenger. A certified check for ten per cent of the bid must accompany each. The council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

R. L. Pyatt,
City Clerk.

Jacksonville, Ill., Dec. 15, 1914.

FORUM LITERARY SOCIETY TO MEET THIS EVENING

The Forum literary society of the high school will give a program in the auditorium of the high school building at 7:45 o'clock this evening. The program wil be in two parts. The first part will be readings from Kipling. The second part will be two scenes representing Christmas in a German home and will be given in German. The public is invited.

AMERICAN AIR SCOUTS TRYING THEIR SKILL

Aviators Make Maps of Military Operations for Government Use.

San Diego, Calif., Dec. 18.—Preparations are all completed for the extensive test of the United States government of the efficiency of the aeroplane as war scouts in locating the numbers, movements and operations of the enemy. The big test will begin this afternoon, if the weather conditions do not interfere, and Uncle Sam's best air scouts will compete for highest honors.

Under the plan which the military authorities have been making for some months, the competition for the Clarence W. Mackay trophy this year has developed into a military reconnaissance contest in the vicinity of San Diego. A column of troops consisting of troops B, D and L, of the first cavalry, the 28th and 115th companies of coast artillery and the 4th regiment of marines, will follow routes unknown to the competitors. The aviators will start at least 100 miles from the locality in which the troops are moving. Each air scout will be given a memorandum of instructions just before taking the air, and they will be directed to make an observation by aeroplane of a triangular section large enough to cover the maneuvers. The air scouts will be forbidden to land before completing the trip.

To make a successful observation, the aviators are required to definitely locate on a map carried on the trip the position of the troops, direction of movement at time of observation, composition of main body, rate of movement, etc. The observation is to be conducted from a height of 3,000 feet, and any drop below 2,500 feet will disbar the competitor. The highest altitudes are insisted upon, because, in time of war, it would be unsafe to venture below 3,000 feet, and the tests begun here are to be under war conditions.

Officers of the U. S. army and marine corps will act as judges, and the Mackay cup will be awarded to the most accurate observer.

The importance of the aeroplane in war has been proven in the great European conflict, and the United States government is already planning the purchase of a big aeroplane fleet and the training of a large corps of air scouts. The officials will be greatly encouraged if the tests here show a marked degree of success. The secondary use of the aeroplane is probably fully as useful as the observation use,—namely the use of the airship to guide the gunners in artillery fire. A method of testing the efficiency of this use of the airship is being devised and may be incorporated in the succeeding tests.

Perhaps the most enthusiastic aeroplane advocate is Brigadier General George P. Scriven, chief signal officer, who, in testifying before the Congressional Military Committee recently, declared that the European war had shown the aeroplane to be the "most tremendous instrument that war has ever seen' but had so far shown no usefulness as an offensive military arm. General Scriven at that ime urged the appropriation of $400,000 to equip the newly created aviation division of the army. He said the service planned to equip four squadrons of eight aeroplanes each, with a reserve which would give the army 50 machines. General Scriven told the Committee that the manufacturers of aeroplanes in America were severely handicapped, by lack of demand for their products, and he estimated that for the government to get one hundred aeroplanes in an emergency would take a year or more. In event of war, he declared, we would be in a serious condition so far as securing aeroplanes is concerned.

At present, according to General Scriven, the army has eleven aeroplanes on hand, eight machines and two training aeroplanes are under construction.

In addition to the aeroplane strength, the government is reported to have under construction at Akron, O., a dirigible, fully equipped with machine guns, wireless, armored cages and sensitive air instruments. If the dirigible proves satisfactory, it is expected the government will place an order for six larger ones, with war equipment. The dirigible under construction is 165 feet long and 40 feet in diameter, with a lifting capacity of 12,000 pounds. It will easily carry twelve men in a steel car suspended beneath it. The approximate cost of the airship is $150,000. The larger dirigibles, if they are ordered, will be 350 feet or more in length.

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TENNIS ASSOCIATION MEETS.

New York, Dec. 18.—A movement to develop and encourage young players of the game was sprung on the annual meeting of the United States National Lawn Tennis association, which opened at the Waldorf Astoria today. Raymond D. Little reported a plan for the development of schoolboy tennis championships, declaring that McLoughlin began to play when he was 12 years old. Williams, the national champion, started at 8 years of age, and Karl Behr, Beals Wright, Nat Niles and George Church were all beginners when ten years old.

Gold medals designed by famous American sculptors are to be awarded to each of the tennis players who have held a national championship title. The details of the plan and the selection of the designs will be made at the meeting before it closes tomorrow. The tennis committee believes prize cups are an expensive luxury to keep and protect, and has selected gold medals for the honored players.

A committee headed by George T. Adee will report on the movement to improve the quality of tennis balls.

The entire evening will be devoted tonight to the request of the ranking committee to be submitted by Frederic C. Inman. It is evident that there is a difference of opinion as to whether or not Maurice E. McLoughlin or R. Norris Williams, 2nd, is to be rated in the position of number one.

Davis Cup matters, the establishment of a new amateur rule, and possibly the shifting of several important tournament will also come up for deliberation. The proposal to hold the national interscholastic championships on courts other than at Newport will be considered.

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MUSICIANS CELEBRATE McDOWELL DAY.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 18.—The Kentucky McDowell Society will tonight commemorate the birthday anniversary of Edward McDowell, the famous musician and song writer, by giving an evening devoted to his compositions and life. Beautiful stereopticon views from the McDowell Settlement at Peterborough, N. H. have been furnished by the musician's widow from her private collection, showing the environment in which the favorite compositions were written.

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WANDERING ISLANDS.

Those of the Rio Grande Made Trouble For Us With Mexico.

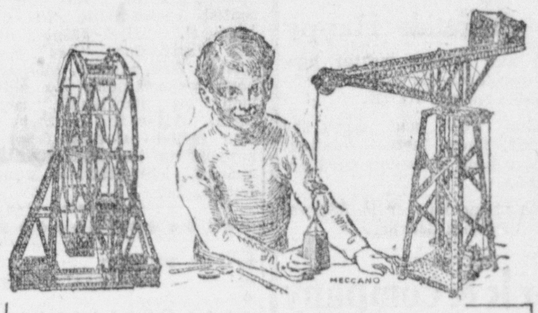
The wandering islands of the Rio Grande in their migrations from side to side of the water course have caused years of diplomatic correspondence and discussion between the United States and Mexico. The refusal of certain small bodies of land to remain permanently attached to one or the other of the river's banks deprived them of a fixed legal status as either Mexican or American territory and brought about their participation in many illegal adventures, which in turn led to misunderstandings between the two countries.

In no river is spirit more evident than in the Rio Grande. Along its sinuous route below Rio Grande City it pushes its way through miles of level sand in its final reach for the gulf, twisting and doubling upon itself like a sea serpent. In 1848 it was fixed upon as the boundary line between the United States and Mexico. The boundary was to be the "middle of the river, following the deepest channel." But the river possessed characteristics that had not impressed themselves upon the framers of the convention as possible causes of friction between the people living along its banks. In addition to its eroding power, exercised through long months of low and mean water, it could during flood periods leap with torrential force across a narrow neck of land at the base of one of its long loops and cut for itself a new channel. Through such avulsive action of the river Texas soil would sometimes become Mexican, and on occasions a plantation occupied by jacals and Mexican citizens would overnight find itself a part of Texas.

An example will serve to show both the extraordinary actions of the river and the difficulties in the way of any satisfactory adjustment of conflicting interests. A certain Josiah Turner began to farm the Galveston ranch, on the Texas bank. Eight years later he was surprised when 221 acres of Mexican land came across the river and attached itself to his ranch. An arrangement was effected by which he became the owner of this land. Six years later the river cut off a piece of Mr. Turner's land and took it to Mexico. Twenty-one years later the river made up its mind to repay the farmer for what it had taken from him and so carried back into Texas a piece of land far larger than the tract originally lost. The Mexican owners claimed possession, and a new convention dealing with the questions under dispute became necessary.

Brigadier General Anson Mills, U. S. A., appointed to represent the United States, recommended that the "cutoffs" be forever eliminated from the boundary line, all those occurring on the right of the river to pass to the jurisdiction of Mexico, those on the left to that of Texas. The inhabitants, if any, should retain their citizenship in the country from which they had been so suddenly and violently detached, or they might acquire the nationality of the country to which they were now attached. Any cutoff exceeding 650 acres in area and having a population of over 200 souls was not to be considered a banco, and the old bed of the river should remain the boundary. A convention embodying his recommendations was finally ratified by both countries. Thus the great turbid, silt bearing river is left to pursue its way untrammeled, but the terrors so long synonymous with its name have through the operation of this equable arrangement become a part of the storied, romantic past.

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CLARENCE ROWLAND NAMED TO MANAGE WHITE SOX

Former Pilot of Local Club Chosen by Comiskey to Succeed Callahan.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Clarence Henry Rowland, last year manager of the Peoria team of the Three Eye League, today was named manager of the White Sox. In baseball circles Rowland is well known. Though his career has been limited to the minor leagues he has been very successful and has gained the respect of the club owners for his ability to discern and develop latent baseball talent. The new leader left the ranks of the players for his first manager job at Aberdeen, Washington, in 1908. Thence he went to Jacksonville, Ill., and then returned to Dubuque, Iowa, where he remained as part owner and manager of the Three I League club. Beginning at the start of last season he managed the Peoria team in the Three I, taking it from last place to second. Rowland will assume his new duties soon, expecting to move here from Dubuque. His arrival will be the signal for the retirement of James J. Callahan, who has led the team for three seasons. Callahan will be appointed to some position connected with the business affairs of the club, it was announced, with the idea that eventually he will be able to shoulder some of the duties now falling on Owner Comiskey. The disposition of "Kid" Gleason, coach and adviser to Callahan, was not given out but it was rumored he might be appointed manager of the New York Americans.

Rowland was born in Plattesville, Wis., and is 33 years old. His contract as Sox manager is for one year and the salary was not announced.

Clarence H. Rowland was managed of the Jacksonville club of the Northern Association in 1910 and came here from Aberdeen, Wash. Rowland was a good baseball man and developed one of the fastest playing teams that has presented Jacksonville in organized baseball. "Hy" Jasper, now with the White Sox; "Red" Kreitz, a former Sox catcher, and Jack Herbert, were among the well known men on Rowland's Jacksonville team. After the Northern Association failed on account of lack of support in the middle of the summer of 1910, Rowland went to Dubuque, Ia.

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Trachoma in Porto Rico.

Trachoma is widely prevalent among school children of Porto Rico according to a report published by the United State Public Health Service. Out of 4,202 pupils examined in the public schools in twelve districts of that island, 401, or 9.15 per cent, had positive cases of trachoma and 231 others or an additional 5.4 per cent represented suspicious cases.

Trachoma is a chronic granular disease of the eyelids which not infrequently brings about serious consequences such as impaired eyesight or total loss of vision. It is classed as a "dangerous disease" by the U. S. Public Health Service, and aliens afflicted with it are not permitted to land in the United States. Its exact cause has not been definitely determined as yet. In the investigation in Porto Rico but few cases of damaged vision were found, and their scarcity is accounted for by the slow progress of the disease.

Apparently trachoma has existed in Porto Rico for many years having been introduced at different times through various channels. Spanish immigrants and soldiers and Syrian peddlers have been blamed, but precise information is lacking on this point. However, it has perhaps spread more rapidly since the American occupation due to several causes, one of the most important of which has been the enormous expansion of the school system from an enrollment of about 25,000 in 1899 to 189,760 in 1913-4, thus bringing into intimate association many children who otherwise would scarcely have seen each other.

In Porto Rico the disease is not limited to the poorer children but was found among all classe of the population. Pupils of the rural schools presented a much higher percentage than those of town schools. Officers of the Public Health Service in several trachoma investigations in the United States have found that trachoma is rare among negroes. Contrary to these results, there is a fairly high prevalence among negroes in Porto rico, although less than among white children. The more close relationship of negroes with whites in Porto Rico may partially explain the difference. As mulattoes give practically the same percentage as whites, the suggestion is made that the mixture of white blood destroys or reduces the partial natural immunity of the negro.

Since the discharge from the eyes of the persons suffering from trachoma is infectious, certain simple precautions are urged to prevent the spread of the disease. Each member of the family should have its own towel, and where runing water is not available individual wash basins should be used. The practice of exchanging pencils, slates and sponges among school children is not be allowed, and in communities where trachoma exists it is advisable to have separate school rooms for those afflicted. Trachomatous persons should have separate beds and bed clothing.

The treatment of the sick should be conscientiously carried out for the double purpose of relieving the sufferers and reducing sources of infection.

MANN'S SOIL BOOK TO APPEAR IN JOURNAL

WILL BE PUBLISHED IN WEEKLY INSTALLMENTS COMMENCING IN JANUARY.

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Beginning the first week in January the Journal will publish Frank Mann's "Soil Book" serially. Two or three installments a week will be used, the intention being to have the whole of this valuable book appear during the winter and spring months.



FRANK I. MANN

Frank Mann is possibly the foremost soil expert in Illinois and his farm near Gilman has come to stand out very boldly as an example of what can be done for building up the soil by the use of clover, alfalfa, lime stone and phosphate. Mr. Mann in latter years has become as eminent in agricultural circles as his brother, Congressman James R. Mann has in political life. He is first of all a successful farmer. He is also editor of the soil department of The Prairie Farmer and is an Illinois Farmers' Institute worker.

Soil Fertility Vital Subject.

The Frank Mann Soil Book now in its sixth edition is copyrighted, published by the Prairie Farmer Publishing company and has never before appeared in print except in book form. The Journal has secured the right of publication by special arrangement with The Prairie Farmer, an agricultural journal by the way, which is acknowledged to be one of the best published in any state and which is devoted especially to the interests of Illinois. The Journal's purpose in making the arrangement for publication has been to give the subject matter in the book a wider circulation in this county. There are facts and principles set forth in this book which can be made of value to every Morgan county farmer. Soil fertility is a subject in which every resident of the county has an interest and this paper believes that anything which can be done to call the attention of the farmers to this subject and to offer practical suggestions for soil upbuilding is in the line of real public service.

The Journal hopes that many present readers of the paper will find much of interest and value in the various installments of the Soil Book and that a still wider field of rural readers may be attracted.

No better insight into the book could be given than in the foreword of the book itself penned by Clifford V. Gregory, editor of The Prairie Farmer. This is as follows:

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In July, 1911, I made my first visit to Frank Mann's farm in Iroquois county, Illinois. I was astonished at what I saw there. The crops growing on his place were far ahead of anything in the neighborhood, or in that part of the state. When he gave me the figures showing the yields he had been getting year after year I was still more astonished. Upon inquiry I learned that his great success in getting bumper crops year after year was due to his scientific methods of soil and crop management.

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E.D. Pyatt, county recorder, has the instructions from the revenue department which show that deeds of a certain class must have revenue stamps attached. The stamps are not on sale at the office but must be secured from the deputy revenue collector. On deeds of $100 or less there is no tax but the fact that a deed is for one dollar only does not make it legal to omit the stamps and instead the stamps must be in accord with the actual value of the price paid.

On deeds of from $100 to $500 the tax is 30 cents and for each additional $500 or fraction thereof 50 cents in revenue stamps must be affixed. This places the rate as $1 on the $1,000.

The revenue law says that "deeds and other instruments conveying realty must have stamps affixt, representing the true value of the realty, less incumbrance. One dollar of consideration does not represent true value in many instances. The proper stamps representing true value must be affixt. Deeds, notes, etc., must be stamped and the stamps cancelled by the parties signing the document.

Section 11 of the war emergency act provides "that any person or persons who shall register, issue, sell or transfer any instrument, document or paper of any kind or description whatsoever, mentioned in this act, without the same being duly stamped, or having thereon adhesive stamp, for denoting the tax chargeable thereon, and cancelled in the manner required by law, with intent to evade the provisions of the act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor."

BILLIARD CONTEST.

Jake Schaefer vs. Marcus Catton tonight. Frank's Cigar Factory.

EMBROIDERY CLUB MEETS.

The East End Embroidery club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. A. L. Ditson at her home on East College avenue. There was a good attendance of members and the home was very prettily decorated for the occasion in keeping with the Christmas season. In one room was a lighted Christmas tree, on which were presents for all the guests. In the contests the first prize was awarded to Mrs. Jerome Mikesell, the prize a Haviland china teapot; and the consolation prize went to Mrs. Lewis Magill. During the afternoon dainty refreshments were served. The next meeting of the club is to be held at the home of Mrs. Walter Smith.

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THE FACTS ABOUT DIVORCE

Ida M. Tarbell, the well-known journalist, contributes to the January Woman's Home Companion an article entitled "What Women Are Really Doing"—an article in which she answers with facts the figures some disturbing questions as to the status of women in the United States today. Miss Tarbell has made a careful study of the Thirteenth Census in order to get at the truth in regard to marriage, divorce, child bearing and other subjects. After proving that more women marry now than did formerly she takes up the subject of divorce as follows:

"There has been an increase in divorce. In the thirty million married women whom the census takers of 1910 reported, they found 185,065 who had been divorced. Considering the difficulties of married life, the number does not appall. It rather gives one a greater respect for human beings to see that they can handle such a complicated relation with such a small percentage of disaster. There is no other human relation that can show anything like so large a statistical proof of success. The number of divorces found in 1910 is greater, proportionately, than the census takers unearthed in 1900, still larger than they found in 1890. In each of these ten-year periods there has been an increase of one tenth of one per cent. It is doubtful if this be due to loss of faith in marriage. A proportion of it is due to a higher ideal of marriage, an unwillingness to see the relation prostituted by a dissolute, cruel, or unfaithful partner.

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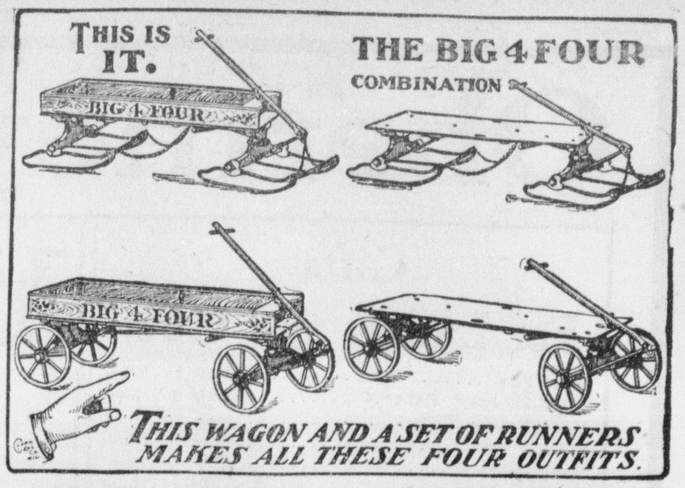
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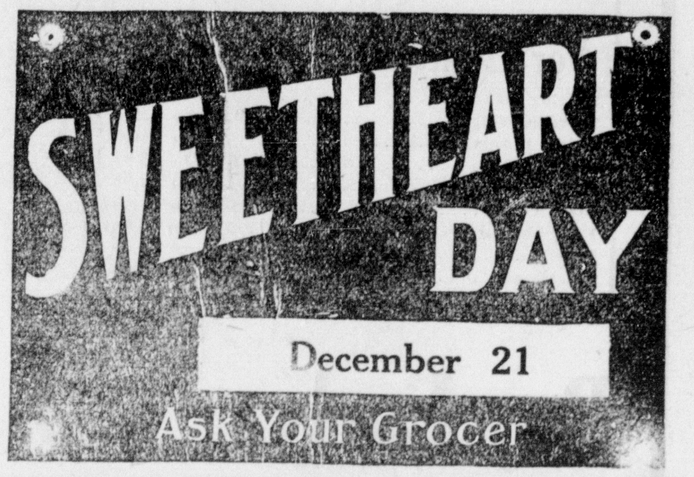
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FOR RENT—Furnished rooms for housekeeping, first floor, separate entrances. Ill. 612. 12-18-1mo

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FOR SALE—Baled sheaf oats. Ill. phone 0185. 12-6-1mo

FOR SALE—Berkshire male hog. Ill. Phone 1202. 10-8-tf

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FOR SALE—Two good work horses, one chicken wagon and coops, one set good work harness, one Live Oak Heater No. 16. George Casterline, 950 North Main. 11-4-tf

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STRAYED—Dark red muley cow, weight 1300. Walter Fearneyhough. Rural route 2, Bell 945-4. 12-17-tf

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Chicago & Alton.
North Bound—
Chicago Ltd. ex-Sun. dept. 1:30 pm
Chicago Ltd. ex-Sun. ar .. 12:20 am
Chicago-Peoria Accom., thru to Chicago ..... 7:30 am
Peoria-Bloomington Acc... 5:30 pm
From St. Louis ..... 8:50 pm
Chicago "Red Hummer" ... 1:55 am
South and West Bound—
St. Louis Accom., daily ... 6:00 am
Kansas City-St Louis local 10:27 am
St. Louis-Mexico Accom. .. 3:48 pm
Kansas City Express .... 8:00 pm
Wabash
East Bound—
No. 72 local frgt, ex-Sun.. 1:10 am
No. 12 ..... 9:45 pm
No. 52, daily ..... 6:25 pm
No. 28, daily ..... 2:13 am
No. 4, daily ..... 8:30 am
No trains stop at Junction.
West Bound—
No. 9, daily ..... 1:50 pm
No. 73, loc. freight, ex-Sun. 2:25 pm
No. 3, daily ..... 7:15 am
No. 15, daily ..... 5:15 pm
No. 53, Hannibal Accom.. 10:05 am
Burlington Route.
North Bound—
No. 47, daily, ex-Sunday.. 11:20 am
No. 11, daily, ex-Sunday.. 4:50 pm
South Bound—
No. 12, daily, ex-Sunday .. 6:55 am
No. 43, daily, ex-Sunday.. 2:08 pm
C., P. & St. L.
North Bound—
No. 36, daily ..... 7:40 am
No. 35, returns ..... 11:34 am
No. 38, daily ..... 3:05 pm
No. 37, returns ..... 7:35 p. m
No change of time on Sundays.

HOME MARKET
Commission men pay

Hens	10
Spring chickens	10
Old roosters	6c
Ducks	10
Geese	9c
Guineas	25
Turkeys	14
Fresh eggs	32
Beef hides	13c
Butter, packing stock	19c
Jacksonville Creamery Co. is paying for butter fat this week	33c

Hay and Grain.

Timothy ay, per bale	95c
Timothy hay, per ton	20.00
Clover hay, per bale	95c
Alfalfa hay, per bale	85c
Alfalfa hay, per ton	20.00
Oats straw	60
Wheat straw	40c
Corn, per bushel	75
Bran, per cwt.	1.45
Cracked corn, per cwt.	$2.00
Coarse corn meal	$2.00

SALARIES OF SINGERS.

Present Day Stars Would Laugh at These Old Time Payments.

In the good old days of 200 years ago or so singers and actors gave the world their greatest efforts for what was undoubtedly considered excellent remuneration, but what in these enlightened times of high priced voices and talents would seem to be pitifully small. And who shall say the performers of the past were not fully as capable as the pampered darlings of the present?

The highest salary paid went to Chasse, who received 3,000 livres, or $600, a year as her fixed salary, 1,000 livres extra for perquisites, 1,200 livres for Easter and 200 for bread, wine and boots, in those days an extraordinary allowance.

Mlle. Aneler, the first soprano of her day, was a close second, with 4,800 francs, or nearly $1,000, a year. Today a prima donna receives more than that for a single evening. In a year "La Camargo," the most beautiful woman of her day, received in francs what many of the lesser singers of today receive in a week in dollars—2,700 francs.

Louis XIV. had the reputation of being a most generous manager and dramatic agent, since he granted 200 livres (about $40) for the first ten performances and about 100 livres for the following. The deviser of the ballet received 120 livres for the first six performances and sixty for later ones. —Argonaut.

RING OF THE FISHERMAN.

Used by the Popes to Seal Documents of the Holy See.

The ring of the fisherman used by the pope exclusively to seal documents of the holy see shows an engraved figure of St. Peter, the first bishop of Rome, standing in a boat and dinging with two hands a net into the sea.

In 1809, when the French occupied the city of Rome, Pius VII., then pope, was ordered by General Radet to surrender the fisherman's ring. The pontiff refused. He feared that by means of the sanction of the ring the French government would be enabled to issue dangerous documents.

When finally forced to surrender it the pope altered the engraving or stamp with the view of making it useless to his enemies. This seal thus defaced was forwarded to Paris by the French general in command at Rome. Pius VII. in the absence of the fisherman's ring, made use of an iron seal engraved with the figures of Sts. Peter and Paul and inscribed with the words, "Pro Annulo Piscatoris" (in lieu of the fisherman's ring).

The fisherman's ring was kept in Paris until Napoleon I. was overthrown, when it was returned to the sovereign pontiff. The ring is used only to seal briefs. The bulls, more important documents, are stamped with the leaden seal of the ancient parchments. —Indianapolis News.

Why the Earth Cannot Explode.

The theory is frequently advanced that planets and even suns sometimes explode and that the earth may some day blow up like a bombshell. No celestial body the size of the earth could possibly explode. If the entire molten interior of our globe could be replaced with nitroglycerin and detonated the explosion would not lift the earth's crust. In other words, if we assume that the crust of the earth is from fifty to a hundred miles in thickness it would require something much more powerful than even nitroglycerin to burst the shell. It is necessary only to do a little figuring to see that the pressure of the earth's crust at a depth of from fifty to a hundred miles far exceeds the pressure exerted by the most powerful high explosive.—Hudson Maxim.

Reckless.

A colored man and his finest girl walked into a drug store. The man bought a one cent picture postcard and a one cent postage stamp. As he started to place the stamp on the postcard the colored woman walked toward the front door.

"Wait a minute, Susie," said the colored man. "I'm not near through." The colored man turned to the clerk and bought a package of chewing gum As the couple walked out of the drug store the colored man was heard to remark, "There's no limit to me, Susie, when I'm out with you."—Indianapolis News.

Appropriate.

"That's a queer design you have in the corner of your billhead," remarked Slopay.

"It's merely a little flower," replied the tailor.

"Think it's appropriate, eh?"

"Yes, it's a forgetmenot."—Philadelphia Press.

Do You Wear One?

One thing you can wear year in and year out, that never grows monotonous, that never is unbecoming, that people are always glad to see, that never has to be made over or trimmed or sent to the cleaner's, is a smile.—Florida Times-Union.

Wasting Money.

"I guess it's just as well I didn't marry that girl. She evidently has no idea of the value of money."

"How's that?"

"Spent 60 cents postage sending me a bunch of old love letters."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Business.

New Son-in-law—Here's only 19,000 marks. You promised my wife a dowry of 20,000. Father-in-law—I always knock off 2 per cent for cash.—Fliegende Blatter.

WORLD'S MARKET NEWS

EXCELLENT SALES FOR EXPORT CARRY WHEAT SHARPLY UPGRADE

Sentiment Against the Bears is Apparent From the Start—Corn Sweeps Higher With Wheat.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Excellent export sales said to amount to more than 5,000,000 bushels in the last 48 hours carried the wheat market today sharply upgrade. Closing prices were strong, ¾@⅞c to 1¾c above last night. Other leading staples, too, all scored a net gain—corn ¾@⅞c to 1c; oats, ⅜@½c to ¾c and provisions 5 to 10c.

It was apparent from the start that sentiment in the wheat trade had turned against the bears. Signs were discovered early that business with foreigners was of much larger proportions than had been reported and that contrary to popular belief the European demand instead of being diminished by German naval exploits had suddenly grown extremely urgent. Anxiety to purchase for export however, showed the greatest increase of force immediately after announcement was made that for the first time this season primary receipts in the United States had fallen below the total at the corresponding time a year ago.

Corn swept higher with wheat. Besides, receipts were smaller and there was an improved call from feeders, the result of cold weather. Offerings to Europe were all accepted, about 250,000 bushels. The strength of other grain spread to oats. Sales to the seaboard aggregated 400,000 bushels.

Chicago Livestock Market

HOGS
Receipts, 32,000.
Market, active, 5 to 10c higher.

Bulk of sales	$7.05@7.30
Light	6.85@7.35
Mixed	6.85@7.45
Rough	6.85@7.00
Pigs	5.75@7.35

CATTLE
Receipts, 6,000.
Market, weak.

Native steers	$5.00@10.00
Western	4.90@ 7.65
Cows and heifers	2.90@ 7.75
Calves	6.00@ 8.75

SHEEP
Receipts, 22,000.
Market, weak.

Sheep	$5.40@6.40
Yearlings	6.50@7.50
Lambs	8.00@8.35

St. Louis Livestock Market

HOGS
Receipts, 9,400.
Market, steady.

Pigs and lights	$6.25@7.35
Mixed and butchers	7.20@7.40
Good heavy	7.30@7.40

CATTLE
Receipts, 4,500.
Market, 10 to 25c lower.

Native beef steers	$7.50@10.00
Cows and heifers	5.00@ 9.25

SHEEP
Receipts, 3,100
Market, steady.

Native muttons	$4.75@5.50
Lambs	6.50@8.70
Yearlings	5.50@7.35

New York Grain Market

New York, Dec. 17.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red and No. 2 hard, $1.27¾ all rail cif track exports; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $1.29¾ and No. 1 Northern Manitoba, $1.32½ cif Buffalo to arrive. Futures firmer on the government report; December, $1.28¾; May, $1.32¼.

Corn—Spot firm; No. 2 yellow, 74c cif to arrive; Argentina prime 72c nominal delivered.

Oats—Spot, steady.

Peoria Grain Market

Peoria, Ills., Dec. 17.—Corn, ½c higher; No. 3 yellow, 62¾@63c; No. 3 mixed, 62¾@63c.

Oats—¼@½c higher; No. 3 white 48c.

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	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	$1.18⅝	$1.20¼	$1.18¾	$1.20⅛
May	1.22⅝	1.23⅝	1.22¼	1.23½
July	1.15⅝	1.16⅜	1.15¾	1.16
Corn—				
Dec.	.62⅜	.64	.62¾	.64
May	.69⅝	.70¼	.69¼	.70⅛
July	.69¼	.70⅜	.69⅝	.70⅜
Oats—				
Dec.	.48	.48¼	.48	.48⅛
May	.52	.52⅝	.51¾	.52⅜
Pork—				
Jan.	18.32½	18.40	18.32½	18.40
May	18.70	18.90	1870	1887½
Lard—				
Jan.	10.00	10.12½	10.00	10.12½
May	10.25	10.37½	10.22½	10.37½
Ribs—				
Jan.	10.00	10.02½	10.00	10.02½
May	10.27½	10.35	10.25	10.37½

CHICAGO CASH GRAIN MARKET.

Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.18¾@1.20⅛; No. 3 red, $1.18@1.19⅝; No. 2 hard winter, $1.19@1.20⅝; No. 3 hard winter, $1.18½@1.20⅛.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 64@64½c; No. 3 mixed, 63½@64c; No. 4 mixed, 63@63½c; No. 2 white, 65½@66c; No. 3 white, 65c; No. 2 yellow, 64½@65c; No. 3 yellow, 63¾@64¼c; No. 4 yellow, 63@63¾c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 49¾@50c; No. 3 white, 48½@49¼c; No. 4 white, 48@48¾c; standard, 49½@49¾c.

ST. LOUIS CASH GRAIN.

Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.17@1.18; No. 3 red, $1.16@1.17; No. 4 red, none; No. 2 hard winter, $1.17@1.18½; No. 3 hard winter, $1.18½@1.18; No. 4 hard winter, $1.15.

Corn—No. 2, 65½@66c; No. 3 65@65½c; No. 4, 64c; No. 2 white, 66@66½c; No. 3 white, 65@65½c; No. 4 white, 63½@64c; No. 2 yellow, 67c; No. 3 yellow, 66c; No. 4 yellow, 65@65½c.

Oats—No. 2, 48¾c; No. 3, 46@47c; No. 4, 43@44c; No. 2 white, 49½c; No. 3 white, 48½c; No. 4 white, 47@47½c; standard, 48¾c.

STOCKS CONTINUE TO DROP ON A MORE CONTRACTED VOLUME

Irregularity Characterizes the Opening—General Advance Provokes Fresh Selling of International List.

New York, Dec. 17.—Stocks continued to drop today on a smaller and more contracted volume of operations. Trading seemed to be largely for that faction of the professional element committed to the short account and when the demand from that quarter had spent its force the list drifted idly toward lower quotations. The significance of the session as a whole may be judged from the fact that a relatively inconspicuous specialty—Central Leather—was the most active feature, with a gain of 1½ points.

Irregularity characterized the opening, followed by a general advance which provoked fresh selling of the international list. It took only a few thousand shares to reverse the rising movement and send the average under yesterday's close. Numerous additions were made to the group of stocks selling at minimum prices. In keeping with its recent custom final quotations were at or near the low level of the day.

Little encouragement was derived from routine news, which included reductions in Louisville and Nashville and the Atlantic Coast Line dividends from 7 to 5 per cent and the Southern Pacific statement for November showing a net loss of almost $810,000.

New York Stock List

Amalgamated Copper	54¼
American Beet Sugar	31⅝
American Cotton Oil	40
American Smelting and Refng	58⅛
American Sugar Refining	107½
American Tel and Tel	118⅝
Anaconda Mining Co.	26⅝
Atchison	93¾
Atlantic Coast Line	112
Baltimore and Ohio	69⅜
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	86
Canadian Pacific	157⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio	43⅜
Chicago and North Western	125
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	89⅞
Colorado Fuel and Iron	24⅝
Colorado and Southern	19
Delaware and Hudson	137
Denver and Rio Grande	5
Erie	22
General Electric	140
Great Northern pfd	115½
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	26⅜
Illinois Central	103½
Interborough-Met	12⅜
Interborough-Met pfd	51⅜
Inter Harvester	89½
Louisville and Nashville	125
Missouri Pacific	10
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	10
Lehigh Valley	134⅛
National Lead	46
New York Central	83
Norfolk and Western	121⅝
Northern Pacific	101⅜
Pennsylvania	108¼
People's Gas	113
Pullman Palace Car	150
Reading	148
Rock Island Co.	1¼
Rock Island Co. pfd	2
Southern Pacific	85⅝
Southern Railway	16¾
Union Pacific	118
United States Steel	51
United States Steel pfd	104¼
Wabash	⅞
Western Union	58¾
New Haven	56⅞

New York Bond List.

U. S. Ref 2,s registered	96
U. S. Ref 2's coupon	96
U. S. 3's, registered	100
U. S. 3's, coupon	100
U. S. 4s registered	108½
U. S. 4's, coupon	109
Panama 3's, coupon	99

New York Money Market

New York, Dec. 17.—Closing—Mercantile paper, 4@4½c; sterling exchange, steady; sixty day bills, 4.84.35; for cables, 4.87.85; for demand, 4.87.25; bar silver, 49½c; Mexican dollars, 37¾c.

Time loans, dull; sixty day, 4 per cent; ninety days, 4@4¼; six months, 4@4¼.

Minneapolis Grain Market

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 17.—Wheat—Wheat was higher early; receipts 271 cars compared with 456 a year ago. Cash wheat—No. 1 hard, $1.21⅛; No. 1 Northern, $1.17⅝@1.20⅛; to arrive, $1.17⅝@1.20⅛; No. 2 northern, $1.13⅝@1.18⅛; No. 3 wheat, $1.10⅝@1.16¼.

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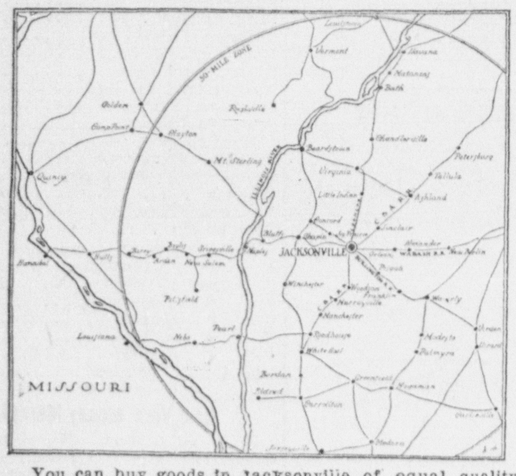
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GRACE METHODIST W. H. M. S. ANNOUNCES YEAR'S PROGRAM

Woman's Home Missionary Society in December Meeting Thursday Gives Out Annual Calendar of Events.

At the December meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary society of Grace M. E. church, held at 2:30 Thursday afternoon in the Ladies' Aid room, the members considered the forward outlook for the society, reviewed the accomplishments of the twelvemonth just passed and made announcement of the program for the year ensuing. The hostesses of the afternoon were Mrs. A. T. Capps, Mrs. William C. Cole and Mrs. L. A. Frost. Mrs. Charles Hopper, the president, lead the devotionals and Mrs. W. A. Oliver read a paper, "Some Things Attempted, Some Things Done." Miss Sarah Groves gave the annalist's report. Light refreshments were served by the hostesses during the social hour which followed.

The committee preparing the program were Mrs. L. H. Griswold, Miss Ida Lee and Mrs. R. A. Gates. The meetings are held the third Thursday of each month at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. The program follows:

January 21—Hostess, Mrs. Sydney Jones, S. Main St.; Assistants, Mrs. Robert Palmer, Mrs. Wm. Weirich.
Devotions—Mrs. J. L. Crouch.
Reading P. 147, Aim of the Book—Mrs. Baumgardner.
Outline of Chap. 1—Mrs. W. C. Cole.

February 18—Hostess, Mrs. W. J. Moore, 603 S. Prairie; Assistants, Mrs. M. E. Gilbert, Mrs. Amos Straight.
Devotions—Mrs. Bray.
"Mistakes and Successes in the Indian Field"—Mrs. J. R. Davis.
"Chief Sitting Wolfe's Visit"—Mrs. Amos Straight.
Enigmas—Mrs. Ben Lurton.

March 19—Hostess, Mrs. J. J. Reeve, 239 Prospect St.; Assistants, Mrs. Nebold, Mrs. Luella Blackburn.
Devotions—Mrs. J. F. Berry.
Chapt. III.—Mrs. E. S. Woodman.
"Indian Story"—Mrs. Clarence York.

April 15—Hostess, Miss Nettie Orear, 713 S. Main.
Devotions—Mrs. J. S. Cocking.
Chapt. IV.—Mrs. W. J. Lane.
The "Mewohomis," Girls—Mrs. J. M. Wolfe.
Enigmas—Mrs. Frank Taylor.

May 20—Hostess, Mrs. J. W. Miller, 876 W. State; Assistants, Miss Ida Lee, Mrs. A. T. Capps, Mrs. Frost, Miss Mary Martin, Miss Laura Sheridan, Miss Susan Draper.
Devotions—Miss Laura Sheridan.
Music.
Chapt. V.—Mrs. F. H. Rowe.
Mite Box Opening.
Conversation—Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Dawson.
"First Mite Box Opening"—Miss Millicent Rowe.
Election and Installation of Officers.

June 17—Hostess, Mrs. T. J. Pitner, Fairview.
Devotions—Mrs. J. I. Graham.
Chapt. VI.—Mrs. C. A. Obermeyer.
Temperance Reading—Mrs. Agnew.
Enigmas—Mrs. M. E. Layton.

July 15—Hostess, Mrs. Clarence York, 526 S. Diamond St.; Assistants, Miss Dawson, Mrs. C. A. Obermeyer.
Devotions—Mrs. Griswold.
Paper, Deaconess Work—Mrs. W. F. Brown.
Sketches—Mrs. F. H. Cogswell.

August 19—Hostess, Mrs. D. E. Kennedy, 1335 W. Lafayette Ave.; Assistants, Miss Groves, Mrs. Woodman.
Devotions—Mrs. Nelson.
News from the Field—Miss Oliva Dunlap, National Worker for W. H. M. S.

September 16—Hostess, Mrs. S. W. Black, 826 W. College avenue; Assistants, Mrs. T. V. Hopper, Mrs. Moxon.
Devotions—Miss Mary Spencer.
Young People's Work—Miss Sue Fox.
Bring dues to this meeting.

October 21—Hostess, Mrs. J. T. Elliott, Mound Ave.; Assistants, Miss Allie Marsh, Mrs. M. E. Layton.
Devotions—Mrs. W. J. Wood.
Roll call—Mrs. J. T. Smith.
A Visit to "Our Homes"—Mrs. E. D. Herald.

November 18—Hostess, Mrs. F. H. Rowe, 1152 W. State; Assistants, Mrs. Berry, Mrs. Jeffries.
Devotions—Mrs. Pinkerton.
"Paper Money and the Kingdom"—Mrs. W. A. Oliver.
Delegate's Report.
Enigmas—Miss Ida Lee.

December 16—Hostess, Mrs. Robert Clayton, N. Prairie St.; Assistants, Mrs. Roach, Mrs. C. Hopper.
Devotions—Mrs. A. E. Williamson.
"What Has Been Done."
"What We Should Do"—Mrs. R. A. Gates.

ENTERTAINS AT CARDS.

Mrs. Joseph Zellar and Miss Dorothy Lukeman entertained a company at cards at the home of Mrs. Zellar in Alexander Wednesday evening. The home was very prettily decorated in the Christmas colors and first prizes were awarded to Miss Tillie Schirz and William Kenny of Franklin. The consolation prizes were won by Miss Althea Hall and Charles Ryan of Franklin. During the evening refreshments were served. Among the guests from a distance were Misses Barbara and Tillie Schirz of this city.

6 nice grapefruits for 25c at Zell's Grocery.

P. E. Tumblety of Boston, Mass., adjuster of the Columbia National Insurance company, and Eb Spink, general agent for central Illinois for the company, spent Thursday in White Hall.

HAPPY ENDING IN REAL LIFE.

By Otto McFeely.

In the first week of June, 1911, a woman with three children, two clinging to her skirts and one snuggling in her lap, sat in a straight-back chair before a judge in the juvenile court of Chicago. This court room was across the street from Hull house, and a block from the Mary Crane Way nursery. A dozen agents of organized charity were there to aid in solving the problem of the destitute mother. A probation officer reported on the "case." The destitute mother, in court terminology, is a "case."

Mrs. Brian * was a typical "case". Eight months before her husband had been injured while at work in the steel mills. He lived a few weeks and then died. The woman had gone through the grade and high schools and had hope of a decent life. When the accident occurred they had $500 saved up, and were about to buy a home on the installment plan.

The doctors and living expenses, before the workman died, took part of this hoard, so painfully gathered. After the funeral Mrs. Brian set out to earn a living for herself and her three children, the oldest under five years, and one an infant. Like thousands of other women, she thought of keeping roomers, and used the last of her savings to pay an installment on a furnished house in the poor district, where she expected to shelter homeless working people at so much per week.

The business failed, as it was destined to do. A woman with three children cannot keep up a rooming house even for poorly paid working people. One after another of the guests left, and this bright day in June found her in the dingy juvenile court, where she had been taken by agents of organized charity.

One of these agents reported: "Your Honor, this woman is about to be set out on the street. She can not pay her rent. But she is able to work and we plan to place her children in an institution, so she can go to work somewhere."

"I don't know what to do," said the mother to the judge. "This lady said, when I asked her for help, that I would have to 'put my children away' and go to work. I wish there was some other way.', and she held her baby closer and tried to include the two standing at her knee in the protecting embrace.

"Did you collect anything from the steel company?" asked the judge.

"Not yet; my case comes up in about three months," she said, hopefully, but the distracted face of the judge did not reflect that hope. He knew the courts and the steel business too well.

He had been on that bench for three years. Almost daily he held conference with the world's most famous charity workers. All Protestant and Catholic churches of the great city had paid agents there to help. Thousands were raised by charity, ostensibly to relieve just such persons as Mrs. Brian.

The judge, probation officers and charity agents held a little conference.

"Where shall we send the children?" was the question.

They knew no other way. Not one of these court officers, nor charity experts, could conceive of any other way than to break up the family—taking these children away from their mother, the supreme crime of civiliation, punishment worse than death for the offense of poverty.

For three years the judge had seen this thing go on. His face was haggard, he looked as if he was ready for the hospital. He was too humane to do this awful thing day after day and not to feel it. The charity workers appeared to be less affected.

To send the babies to an institution would cost the county $10 a month for each child—$30 in all. They were ready to pay this sum to an asylum for taking care of these poverty-stricken children, but there was no way the money could be paid to the mother for performing the functions for which nature intended her, and for which she was so well prepared.

The ax was about to fall. The wagon was backed up at the door. Trim nurses entered to take the babies from their mother's arms, in all probability forever, when something happened.

During the progress of the "trial" two men entered. One of them was Henry Neil, who for a year had been watching this destruction of families—the punishment of women and children for poverty and all in the name of "kindness."

That very week Governor Deneen had signed a bill that was to revolutionize the practice of the juvenile court and to prevent the separation of mothers and their children in the name of sweet charity—a habit that had become so common that it was then a vested right of the charity organizations.

Neil had presented the bill to the legislature, and it was such a little thing that it crept through almost unnoticed. Organized charity experts knew nothing of it. It was an amendment to the juvenile court act in these words:

"If the parent or parents of such dependent or neglected child are poor and unable to properly care for said child, but are otherwise proper guardians, and it is for the welfare of such child to remain at home, the court may enter an order finding such facts and fixing the amount of money necessary to enable the parent or parents to properly care for such child, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the county board, through its county agent, or otherwise, to pay to such parent or parents, at such times as said order may designate, the amount so specified for the care of such dependent or neglected child until the further order of the court."

This law was to go into force July 1, 1911. The Brian family was to be broken up, nevertheless, because poverty can not wait three weeks. Neil conferred with the judge. He agreed to pay Mrs. Brian $25 a month until the pension law went into effect, and on July 1, the very day the act became useful, Mrs. Brian was pensioned, the first woman who ever drew a pension for being a mother. She still lives with her own children, and since then almost 2,000 mothers have been pensioned in Chicago alone, and the system today is at work from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

*The identity of this mother is concealed under a ficticious name.

BRICK ROADS SATISFACTORY IN STATE OF OHIO.

The road problem for heavy traffic roads has been solved in Ohio, according to Engineer John Laylin, who represented the Ohio Highway department on the program of the American Road Builders Congress at Chicago Thursday.

Laylin discussed the topic of brick rural highways and pointed to Cuyahoga county, Ohio, with its 400 miles of bricked country roads as a county that was first to reach a satisfactory solution. The state highway department, says Laylin, has participated in the laying of 225 miles of such road in the last three years, at an average cost of approximately $1,200 per mile for each foot in width which includes drainage, grading, culverts and bridges. While he urged the use of concrete foundations, he cited a number of roads in northern Ohio where bricks had been laid directly on a well drained sub-grade and had given excellent service at a great saving in cost, through good drainage and grouting of the brick.

For many improved roads that have not stood up under the strain of heavy traffic, Laylin suggested the addition of a brick surface as the best means of getting a dependable road and saving the existing investment.

GENUINE PRESCRIPTION FOR ALL RHEUMATISM

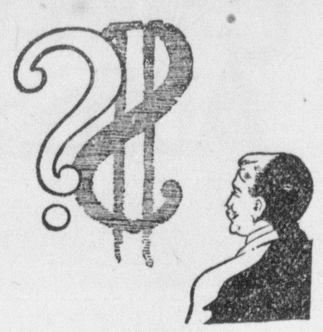
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Rheuma—that is the name of the scientific prescription that is putting old rheumatism out of business.

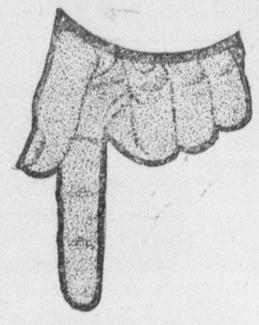
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—Anon.



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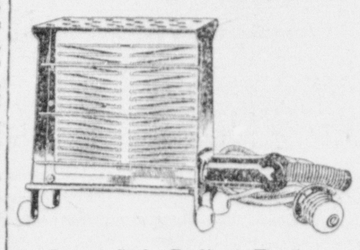
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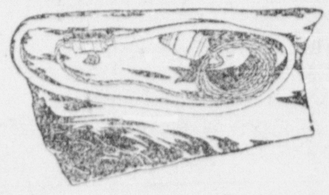


Give Something Useful This Christmas

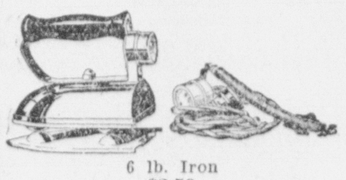
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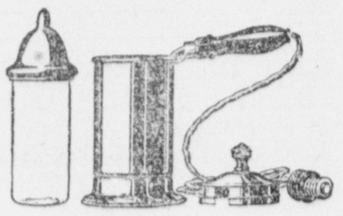
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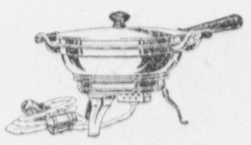
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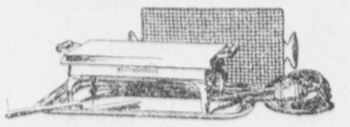
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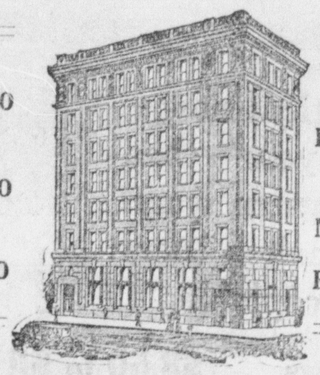
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WINCHESTER.

Miss Amelia Hieronymus has returned from Jacksonville where for the past two weeks she has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Michael Cleary.

Miss Elsie Edmundson and Miss Helen Thomas have returned from a short visit in Clayton.

Henry Kuehl has resigned his position as night policeman to take a position as janitor of the court house. Roy Phears succeeds him on the police force.

Miss Bernice Kirkman, who has been ill at her home for the past few days is able to be again in school.

Miss Mary Woodall has returned from a brief visit in St. Louis.

Mrs. Howard McCullough and Miss Jessie Richardson were in the city Thursday from Riggston.

Mrs. Charles Burns of Alsey was a visitor in Winchester Wednesday.

State Street Church Aid Market, 221 West State, Saturday, Dec. 19.

FIRE AT SCHOOL FOR BLIND.

The fire department was called to the school for the blind about eleven o'clock Thursday morning. Fire, seemingly from spontaneous combustion was discovered by an employe in the building which is used as a detention hospital. The fire was inside a board partition and only the fact of early discovery and the use of fire extinguishers prevented a more serious fire. Chief Woods and his men tore out part of the partition and some flooring and used the chemical engine. A bad fire might have easily occurred had the flames gained much headway for one room of the building was used for storing paints, oils and turpentine. Supt. Montgomery believes the fire was caused by spontaneous combustion or from an overheated pipe.

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MORTUARY

Ruyle.

The remains of Mrs. Mary M. Ruyle, who passed away at Nebo Thursday morning at 2 o'clock, arrived in the city Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock via the Chicago & Alton and were taken to the residence of her son, A. W. Ruyle on South East street. Mrs. Ruyle had been keeping house for her daughter at Nebo for a few days, while her daughter was in a hospital in this city. She passed away after a brief illness with pneumonia. The deceased was 68 years of age.

Funeral services are to be held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at Asbury church, southeast of the city, and interment will be made in the Asbury cemetery, beside the remains of her husband.

Ginder.

James R. Ginder, aged 68 years, died this (Friday) morning at 1:15 o'clock at his residence, 924 West Lafayette avenue, after an illness of two years. Mr. Ginder was born in Beardstown and until a little more than a year ago resided on a farm in the Grace chapel neighborhood. He is survided by his widow and four children: Fred, Leonard and John Ginder, all of the Concord neighborhood, and Mary E. Ginder of this city.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Stationery for gifts means something useful but yet with the touch of the exquisite about it. A splendid line at Gilbert's pharmacy.

MATRIMONIAL

Virgin-Smith.

John W. Virgin and Miss Ella Mae Smith, both of Woodson were married Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, at the parsonage of the First Presbyterian church, in Springfield, Rev. Donald C. MacLeod officiating. The groom is a farmer and they will reside near Woodson.

Allen-Farmer.

Friends in the city have received the announcement of the marriage of Mr. Howard Allen of Modesto to Miss Opal Farmer of Palmyra. The bride has a great many friends in Jacksonville, made while she was a student at the Woman's college, and by frequent visits here since that time. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Farmer. The groom is a farmer.

You will find "Wild Rose" creamery butter measures up to your highest standard for good butter.

SUPREME COURT REVERSES DECISION ON RAILROAD CASE

Morgan County Tax Case Occupies Attention of Court.

The case of the people vs. W. B. Rogers, county collector, appellant, vs. the C. B. and Q. railroad, appellee, has been occupying the attention of the supreme court and that body has handed down a decision reversing and remanding the case. The railroad in the lower court objected to being taxed for hard road improvements and also improvements on the court house and jail. These objections were sustained by the lower court. The objections to the taxes levied against the C. B. and Q. were made in the Morgan county court last June and Judge Grote after hearing the objections decided in favor of the objectors. The Burlington railroad in their objections stated that the law creating state aid roads was unconstitutional and as to the furnishing of funds to repair court house and jail that this was a violation of law and that it was invalid because it did not state the money required for each purpose.

Wanted you to know you can save money Saturday at Boxell's, 228 West State.

TO GIVE CONCERT.

The Arenzville Band, which is under the direction of W. C. Hitte of this city, will give a concert tonight at Arenzville.

Honor Bright pure pork sausage at Zell's Grocery.

NAMES ARE ANNOUNCED OF FEMININE CAR CONDUCTORS

Young Ladies Will Collect Fares on Lines of Jacksonville Street Railway and Turn Over Proceeds to Associated Charities.

The names of the young ladies who will serve as street car conductors next Wednesday have been announced and Supt. Miser has begun the plans for a time and route schedule. As before mentioned the Jacksonville Railway & Light Co., have offered the Associated Charities all monies received from one day's run on the lines of the street railway and Dec. 23 was the date selected. Although tickets will not be refused on this day, cash fares will be expected and it is not the intention of the conductors to return change. All will doubtless see fit to ride at least once next Wednesday and have the pleasure, not only of contributing to a worthy cause but of enjoying a journey in company with the fair "conductress."

The list follows:
Mrs. George Orear.
Mrs. William Newman, Jr.
Miss Ruth Badger.
Miss Florence Ward.
Miss Alma Forsythe.
Miss Edith Jordan.
Miss Clara Lane.
Miss Dorothy Leck.
Miss Annie Clayton.
Miss Ruth Chipchase.
Miss Edith Hillerby.
Miss Jessie Rottger.
Miss Ella Newman.
Miss Bessie Newman.
Miss Helen Doying.
Miss Helen Steed.
Miss Alice Wadsworth.
Miss Mary Wadsworth.
Miss Alice Resugh.
Miss Miriam Russel.
Miss Nelle Self.
Miss Elson Barnes.
Miss Florence Rice.
Miss Mary Louise Newman.

BILLIARD CONTEST.
Jake Schaefer vs. Marcus Catton tonight. Frank's Cigar Factory.

AWAITS NEWS FROM ENGLAND.

Al Bromley Has Mother and Sister in Scarborough.

A. L. Bromley, of South Diamond street, has a mother and sister residing in Scarborough, England, and although he does not fear greatly for the safety of the members of his family, awaits with interest tidings from the unfortunate city and further news of the bombardment by the German ships of war. Mr. Bromley himself once lived in Scarborough but came to this country at the age of ten and has not since returned. His father, the late Robert Bromley, came to this country at a later time and removed to Morgan county. The elder Bromley passed away about a dozen years ago.

Mr. Bromley receives word frequently from his mother and his sister and family also and hopes within a few days to learn of the Scarborough bombardment from a near view.

"Wild Rose" Creamery butter is just as good as the name sounds. Made by the Jacksonville Creamery Co.

MORE GIFTS RECEIVED.

Chief of Police Davis Thursday received a goodly supply of garments from J. Herman, in addition to a cash contribution. Each day additional gifts of clothing are received which gives assurance that there will be a large supply of suits, sweaters, hats, caps, shoes, stocking and other wearing apparel for distribution to the needy on the day before Christmas.

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BROOKLYN LADIES HOLD SUPPER AND BAZAAR.

Successful Events Held at Church Thursday Evening—The List of Committees.

The Ladies' Aid society of Brooklyn M. E. church held their annual supper and bazaar Thursday evening at the church and realized a good sum for the society treasury. Chicken pie was served, with side dishes in ample quantity. Mrs. J. G. Clements, president of the Aid society, had general charge and Mrs. George H. Stacy was head of the dining room committee, with Mrs. Charles Redding, Miss Leah Walters, Mrs. George Belzer and Mrs. Shroud, assisting. In the kitchen were Miss Jefferson, Mrs. J. W. Mann, Mrs. McCurley, Mrs. W. E. Thomson and Mrs. Daniel Barton.

The market was in charge of Mrs. Everett Whitlock, Mrs. Mary Dickens, and Mrs. J. H. Reid and Miss Nettie Platt, Mrs. Lee Wiegand and Mrs. Carl Sheppard sold the fancy work and rugs. Miss Ora Theobald's class presided at the doll booth and the King's Daughters' class, taught by Miss Mabel Schofield, had the candy booth in charge. Mrs. Clements' class were at the popcorn booth and Mrs. Eva Potter was ticket seller. At the apron booth were Mrs. John Wright, Mrs. Harry Clemens and Mrs. J. W. Follansbee.

Styles and Quality of NECKWEAR that please the men, are sold by FRANK BRYNS.

J. W. Galloway of Woodson was a Thursday business visitor in Jacksonville.

Buy good rubbers. Hopper & Sons.

Mrs. W. W. Walker of Murrayville was shopping in the city Thursday.

FLORETH COMPANY

December Clearance Sale

One-Third to One-Half Off

On coats—Ladies' Misses' and Children's: Ladies' Suits, Dress Skirts, Furs, Sweater Coats, Shirt Waists and Trimmed Hats. These entire lines must be cleared out. Prices are cut 1-3 top 1-2, in a great many instances more. Don't let this opportunity go by. Every garment made of very best material and cut far below cost of production.

Ladies' Coats, ...$2.50 to $10.00
Misses' coats, ...$2.00 to $6.50
Children's coats, ...$1.50 to $3.50

Ladies' New Fall Suits. Look at these wonderful low prices, $7.50, $10.50 and $12.50.

Ladies' Dress Skirts, $1.00, $2.50 and $4.98. Every skirt worth from 50c to $1.50 more.

Trimmed Hats for .....$1.00 each.

Every Hat in our stock must be sold out. Come and see the wonderful values. Trimmed Hats, Black or colors formerly sold up to $5.00 now $1.00 each.

Hats formerly sold up to $6.50 now $2.00.

Remember this great sale. We are going to clean up our entire ready-to-wear stock.

January New Idea Magazines are here. Come for yours. Always cash.

FLORETH COMPANY

Christmas Special
Crepe de Chine Waists - $1.98

Christmas Special
Vanity Bag - - - - - 39c

GIFT SUGGESTIONS

FOR LADIES

It's the ideal gift that's sure to please young and old. "SUGGESTIONS." This store is brim full of suggestions. It will be our great pleasure to help you solve it. The pleasure in giving is partly in choosing, and we are glad to have you look. We need not remind you that the greatest happiness comes to ourselves when we make others happy.

EXTRA! EXTRA!

This Week we will Continue Our December Clearance of

Suits and Coats

and will offer positively wonderful values. A showing in a class by itself owing to the high character of these garments. Prices have been reduced to make a quick clearance of our entire stock.

C. J. DEPPE & COMPANY

"Where Christmas Dreams Come True:"

Beautiful Silk Hosiery | Beautiful Handkerchiefs

See Our Fancy China

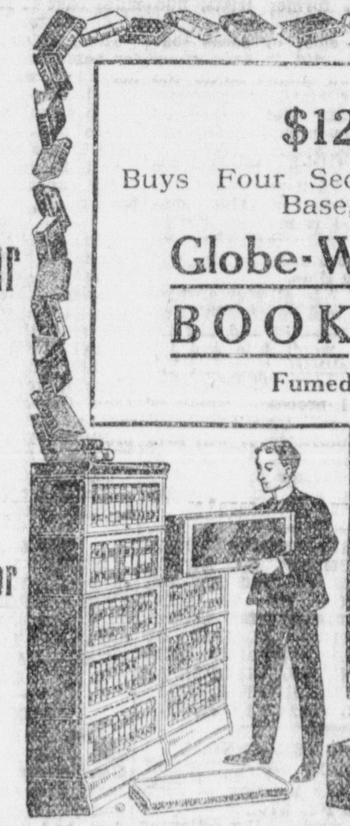
First Floor

$12.50

Buys Four Sections, Top and Base, of a

Globe-Wernicke BOOKCASE

Fumed Finish



This price is good from now until Christmas. Additional sections $2.25 per section.

French, German and Austrian China

JOHNSON, HACKETT & GUTHRIE

"The Home of Useful Presents."

PHONES 309.

HILLERBY'S

The Store With the Christmas Spirit.

Headquarters for Sensible Gifts

There is no nicer gift than an Umbrella. Fine ones $1.00 to $5.00, men's or women's .....Closing Out Sweaters at a Reduction—just when you need them. Plain, heavy mannish styles at 20 per cent discount. Buy now and get your Sweater at the same price you will after Christmas.

Handkerchiefs for Christmas

a most bewildering array.

Holiday Ribbons at Special Prices.

$1.00 Waists for gifts. You would think they cost $2, they look so nice—just $1.00.

"S. H." Trading Stamps

$2.25 Home Made Comforts, made of our own materials, good sizes.

$1.00 for four pairs of guaranteed sox or stockings; all colors and sizes—in Christmas wrappings.

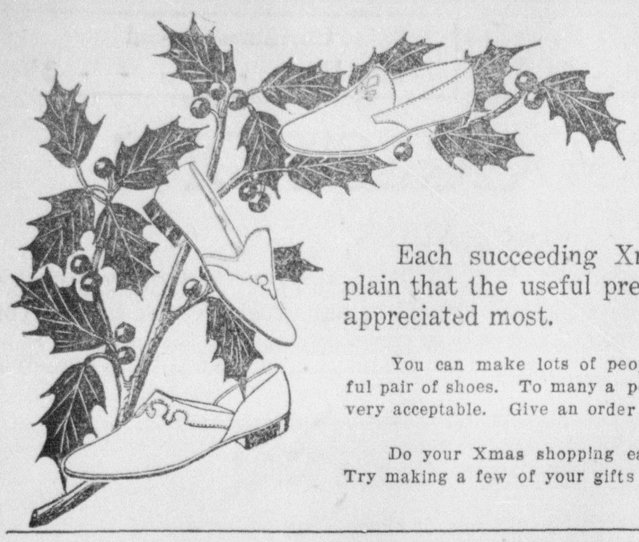
39c for a fancy box papers, regular 50c kind

98c Special price on Waist Silks, fancy Stripes and Plaids. New styles choice at 98c yard.

50c for big assortment of Ladies' Gloves, in all colors, warm and good fitting.

The joy of Giving and Receiving is Within the Reach of All who Save S. H. Stamps

SAFEST PLACE TO TRADE



Put Footwear On Your Gift List!

Each succeeding Xmas season marks it more plain that the useful presents are the ones that are appreciated most.

You can make lots of people happy with a present of a useful pair of shoes. To many a poor child a pair of shoes would be very acceptable. Give an order for a pair of shoes to some friend.

Do your Xmas shopping early and get it out of the way. Try making a few of your gifts in the line of footwear.

We Repair Shoes.
Our department is equipped to do good work.

WEAR HOPPER'S SHOES
JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Shoe Findings
Many useful presents to be had in this department.

FORUM LITERARY SOCIETY GIVES PROGRAM TONIGHT

High School Organization Will Include German Play in Evening's Entertainment.

The Forum Literary society of the high school will give a program this evening at 7:45 o'clock in the auditorium of the high school to which the public is cordially invited. After the regular mixed program a play entitled Christmas Eve in a German Home" will be given entirely in German.

The following is the program:

Piano duet—Aileen Fitch and Hildagarde Rose.

Talk on Kipling—Ruth Hillerby.

"Reading Tommy"—Warren Maddox.

Reading, "How the Elephant Lost His Trunk"—Edith Williamson.

Vocal solo, "On the Road to Mandalay"—Uriel Govella.

Recess.

"Christmas Eve in a German Home."

Characters—

Mr. Schultze—Fred Mayer.
Mrs. Schultze—Mable Peterson.
Grete—Faye Skinner.
Fritz—John Corrington.
Hans—Harold Ferguson.
Auguste, the maid—Gladys Sargent.
Johann—Glidden Reeve.
Chorus—Frank Caldwell, Lawrence Cranwill, Mary Alice Pierce, Lora Bancroft, Durrell Ferguson, Ruth Fitch, Edna Leake, Edna Hackett, Clyde Landreth, Isabelle Woodman, Ellen McCurley, Rena Chaney, Hildagarde Rose, Estella Schofield.

State Street Church Aid Market, 221 West State, Saturday, Dec. 19.

TAYLOR'S X'MAS SPECIALS

BEST MIXED NUTS
15c lb
CALIFORNIA NAVEL ORANGES
50c pk

Xmas Trees, Holly, Holly Wreaths and other decorations.

TAYLOR'S
"Always a Good Place to Trade."

FOR "THAT MAN'S" XMAS

Here's the Answer to a Very Puzzling Question.

Just before the Christmas holidays, when the stores are thronged by the "last-minute rush;" when you've often racked your brains for an idea that will solve the question of what to give husband, father, Brother Tom or Jack; when you've looked back on former trials, due to your having picked the wrong tie or a misfit shirt or socks that were too small—did it ever occur to you that you might settle the matter quickly and satisfactorily without losing any beauty sleep by giving him a glass humidor of Prince Albert, the national joy smoke?

It's a neat looking crystal-glass receptable, holding a pound of good tobacco. Whenever the supply is exhausted it may readily be resplenished, and the humidor keeps the tobacco moist, fresh and fragrant all the time.

You will find it in all stores where tobacco is sold, and you needn't hesitate to walk right in and ask for it. The clerk won't bite and the tobacco can't, either. The bite has been taken out of P. A. by a wonderful patented process. Think of the pleasure it will give "him" and the possible annoyance it will save you. It's a gift that will not be slipped to the janitor or the office boy, like a tie that doesn't strike "his" fancy.

LADIES' GARMENTS AT HALF PRICE, CHOICE OF 60 SWELL SUITS, CHOICE OF 100 STYLISH COATS, CHOICE OF 75 SILK, CREPE OR CHARMEUSE DRESSES, THE ENTIRE BALANCE OF OUR REGULAR STOCK, PREVIOUS TO ANNUAL INVOICE, AT JUST HALF THE REAL PRICE.
F. J. WADDELL & CO.

MASONS MEET FOR ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the regular meeting of Jacksonville Lodge No. 570, A. F. & A. M., Thursday evening the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Worshipful Master—Charles A. Rose.
Senior Warden—R. A. Hartman.
Junior Warden—Carl S. Richards.
Treasurer—C. C. Phelps.
Secretary—E. L. Kinney.

Special meeting of Harmony lodge No. 3, A. F. and A. M., this evening at 5:30. Work and supper.

A. C. Metcalf, W. M.
John R. Phillips, Secretary.

REAL XMAS SAVING.
SUITS, HATS, COATS, DRESS GOODS NOW SELLING REGARDLESS OF FIRST COST. ALL WINTER STOCKS MUST GO, AND MEANS YOUR CHANCE FOR REAL XMAS SAVING.
FLORETH COMPANY.

WON MANY PRIZES.

Mrs. A. Franz won on her black and white cochin bantams at the Beardstown Poultry show, first cock, first and second hen and second pullet on whites and first cock, first and second pullet and second hen on blacks, also two silver cups, one for the best pair in the show and the other for the best display of bantams.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
ANOTHER GREAT CUT IN PRICES OF OUR ENTIRE STOCK OF RELIABLE MERCHANDISE HAS BEEN MADE, TO BE CONTINUED THE BALANCE OF THIS WEEK.
J. HERMAN

MURRAYVILLE HAD TWO DEATHS THURSDAY

Mrs. Luella Haverfield Dies After Brief Illness and Mrs. Cynthnia Hull Succumbs to a Paralytic Stroke.

Mrs. Cynthia Hull, who suffered a paralytic stroke last Saturday passed away Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the family residence two miles east of Murrayville, at the age of 69 years.

Her maiden name was Angelo and for sometime she had been making her home with her son, John Hull. Her husband died three years ago and besides the son mentioned, she leaves one adopted daughter, Mrs. Nora Hayes and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson of Parsons, Kansas.

No funeral arrangements have been made.

Haverfield.

Mrs. Luella Haverfield, residing four miles west of Murrayville, died Thursday evening at 6:25 o'clock following a week's illness. She was born in Philadelphia, Pa., 22 years ago and three years ago married George Haverefild. She is survived by her husband, one son Thomas Lincoln, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Osborne; two sisters, Misses Ada and Sadie Osborne and three brothers, Benjamin, Charles and William. She was a member of the West Union Baptist church.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

NOTE SHOWS THAT DAVIS SHOT FORMER WIFE AND THEN HIMSELF

Asks That Both Bodies be Buried at Nortonville—The Coroner's Jury Brings Verdict of Suicide.

At the inquest held at Ashland Thursday morning, to inquire into the death of James H. Davis, a note found in the clothing of the dead man made it certain that he shot his former wife, Emma Davis, and then turner the weapon on himself. The note made provision for the interment of both the bodies and laid the blame for their domestic troubles on E. Y. Harbor.

There were two notes found in the dead man's clothing, one of them giving details as to the burial of the two bodies. The other was addressed to W. S. Rearick, an Ashland banker, and read as follows:

"I want Mr. Rearick to sell the things in the house and to bury Emma and for him to go to E. Y. Harbor's and get our feather bed and bed clothing and sell them. For him to bury us both at Nortonville. E. Y. Harbor is to blame for it all. I loved Emma and don't want to see her throw herself away this way. This was written by J. H. Davis." The jury returned a verdict of suicide.

Mrs. Douglas Riggs of Murrayville a sister of the dead man went to Ashland Thursday and on her visit there it developed that her brother had just returned to his home in Ashland after a visit in Murrayville Wednesday morning, and rode to Ashland on the same train with his former wife. Mrs. Riggs stated that while at her home her brother asked for some paper, and identified the paper on which the note was written as that given by her and also identified the writing as that of her brother's. She said that while her brother had told her that his wife had threatened to kill him, he said nothing whatever regarding his own intentions.

Mrs. Davis is suffering from two bullet wounds in the head, one in the temple and the other in the forehead. Her condition is such that no hopes are held out for her recovery and last night her death was considered only a matter of a short time. A brother of Mrs. Davis, who resides in Missouri, is expected to arrive in Ashland today.

The funeral of Mr. Davis is to be held today at Ashland, where interment will be made.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY.
TAKE THIS CHANCE TO SAVE. WE ARE SELLING COATS, SUITS, HATS AND DRESS GOODS NOW REGARDLESS OF COST IN ORDER TO CLEAR OUT ALL WINTER STOCKS. FLORETH COMPANY.

Mrs. J. A. Massey, who has been ill for a number of weeks was able to be down town Thursday.

WHAT—

could be more practical now—and this is a practical year—than an Overcoat, or other warm wearables. Cold weather makes them most necessary and acceptable.



Overcoats for men and boys	$3.50 to $30.00
Mackinaw Coats	5.00 to 8.50
Wool Sweaters	1.00 to 7.00
Wool Shirts	1.00 to 3.00
Fur Gloves	1.00 to 7.50
Fur Caps	2.50 to 5.00
Wool Underwear	1.00 to 5.00
Lined Gloves	50c to 2.00
Sheep Lined Coats	4.00 to 6.00
Golf Caps	50c to 2.00

MYERS BROTHERS.

Shop Early and Avoid the Rush

All the Novelties Without The Fancy Prices

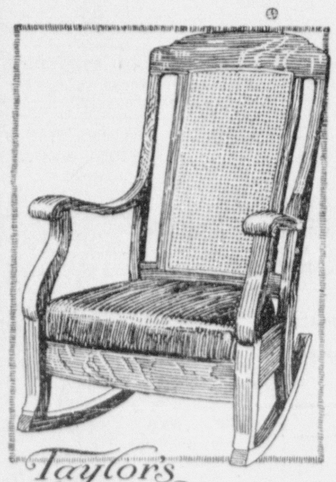
Order That Lumber Now

We have in our yard complete stocks of Lumber for every purpose. Your orders will receive our prompt and careful attention.

Crawford Lumber Co
(Quality Goods)



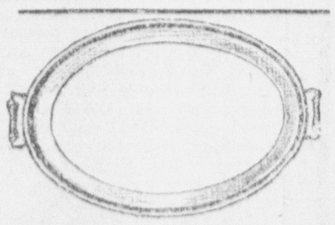
Beautiful and Useful Christmas Gifts that Will Last a Lifetime!



Taylor's Comfortable Rockers

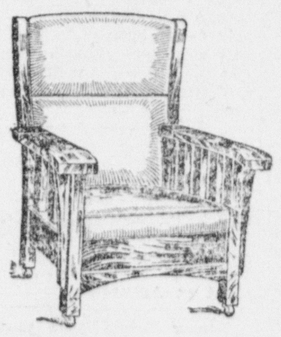
This beautiful $25.00 solid mahogany Taylor Rocker, cane back, spring seat, at

$19.75



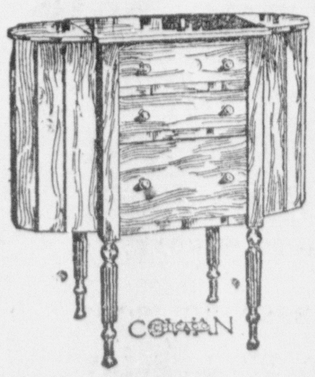
Beautiful solid mahogany trays, genuine inlaid, all $7.50 and $8.00 trays, special at

$6.45



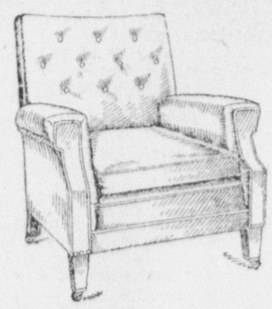
Royal Rest Push Button Chairs, the kind that satisfy. A lasting and appreciative gift. We have them as low as

$13.25



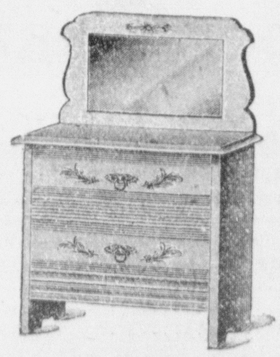
Martha Washington and Drop Leaf sewing, Solid Mahogany. Upwards from

$9.50

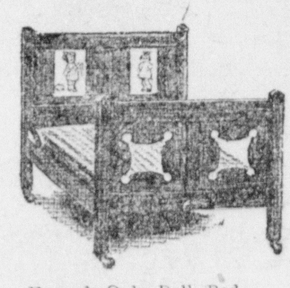


This $65.00 Karpensque arm chair, court grey, Spanish leather

$45.00

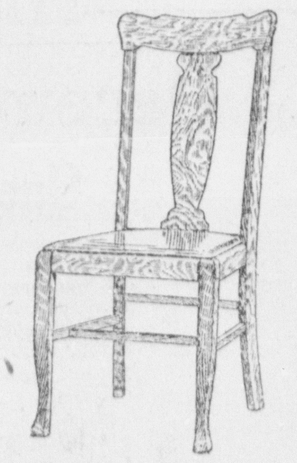


Children's White Enamel Furniture—Don't fail to see this line. First time ever shown in the city. Dressers, dressing tables, beds, chiffoniers, china closets, chairs, desks, tables, etc.



Fumed Oak Doll Bed,

$3.15



Beautiful quartered golden oak, split seat, (genuine leather dining chair, $4.00 value

$2.75

See the Beautiful Collection of **Oriental Rugs**

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The Store Where the Xmas Spirit Reigns

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